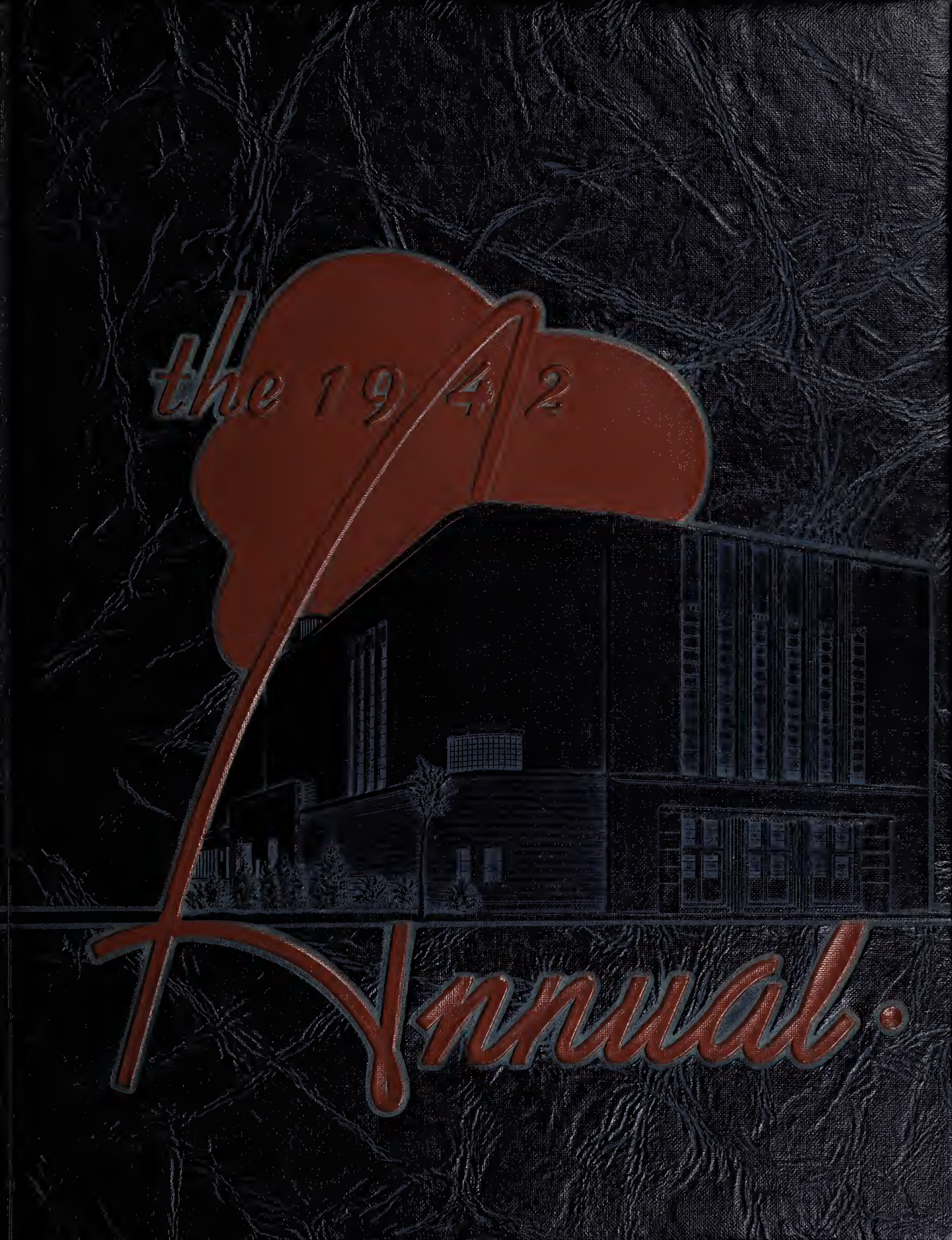
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Dear Beth,
We've come a long way together. Walker School, Roosevelt, Old Central and then West. I hope we will always be good friends even after school is over. Good luck always,
Beryl Gustafson

U.R.
2 good
2 be
4 gotten
Greg Wilson

Somebody got the wrong annual!!

Dear Barbara,
Please don't forget the good (?) times we had at the city council meetings. With all the luck for your future in college, I am,
Sincerely yours,
Don Carpenter

Dear Beth,
It's been a long way since Roosevelt but we made it. Heck, I better quit or I'll have myself crying, and boy don't think I can't. Lots of luck Beth.
Sammy Castree

PEC:dec

To one on whose face is written success in bold type may I wish "smooth sailin'".
Nick R. Guarino

I've been a lucky fellow knowing you Beth. You're beautiful!!! Stay that way. Best of Luck
Bill Colver Esq. ???

Oceans of Good Luck
Bill Denny

Dear Beth,
We have known many good times together haven't we! Walker, Roosevelt, Central High and finally West. May you enjoy the greatest of fortunes in the future.
Thomas Green

Dear Beth,
I don't know you very well but what I have seen of you has been nice. Best of Luck,
Shirley Blow

Beth, I always admired and envied your beautiful hair. It has been a pleasure knowing you. "Happy Days"
Donaldson

Dear Beth,
Haven't we had a lot of good times and lots of giggles together? It's been wonderful having you as a friend and I hope our friendship will always continue, even when you're in college (Have one down for a week-end!) Well, Love, I must get to work or I shall find myself without a job — See you tonite —
Nancy

Beth Corbridge
1227 Camp Avenue
Rockford, Illinois

Dear Beth,
Best of luck in college. Hope I see you alot even though School life here at West is closed for us.
Sincerely
Jean Boettcher

Dear Beth:
Best of luck in future years, especially in college. It has been swell knowing you.
Loads of luck.
"Bernie"
Bernadine Kisting. 42

P.S. Remember that nite we went to pick out dresses? Gee - I'll never forget.
Bye - now
Bernie

Dear Beth,
It's been nice knowing you these few years. I hope you have all the luck and happiness possible in the future.
Sincerely
Avis Born

Dick Rauner
CLASS OF 42 (NOT 43)
DON'T BELIEVE IN PICTURES

Gaylord H Chew

Best of luck in the future.
Peggy

Beth:
Best of Luck to a swell girl and a good usher. Remember the Play the the times we had with cinema with the tickets in the wrong sections.
A.P.A.
Kenny Lange

"L ½"

Oscar W. Schnisky

Dear Beth,
what should I write? it be?
"two little words"
"Remember me"
Shirley Howard
"42"

Dear Beth,
Best wishes for the future. You'll continue in a steady course, I presume.
Your old orchestra challenger,
Roger Renn

Dear Beth
Best wishes in your future life. It has been swell knowing you, and I hope to see you again. I hope "A Lover Comes Home," and you meet him again. (Scientifically)
Jerry Eklund

Dear Beth,
I trust you'll always remember a little feisty wolf.
Your old chum
Jerry Lafond

Dear Beth
Here's wishing you the best of luck, Eileen

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Oh yea?

Beth,

May you ever remember me as the one who violated this page already designated for a more relative friend. But no matter how close you may find another friend, thier good wishes for your happy and prosperous future will never be more heartily and truly given than are mine.

Robert McDonald "42"

Hey You: that's a pretty good name don't you think." Lots of Luck

Bob Carlson

Bethany:
Too bad our close association had to be terminated so quickly. But if I ever get a car with a heater in it I will take you for a ride. Loads of Luck
Bob Weatherly

Dear Beth,
What a dither today. Four years from now I Plan to get another cap and gown. Remember Igno. We had a lot of fun during lunch hour didn't we? Good Luck in College dear.
Peggy Bartling

Ex Libris

Dear Beth.
It has been a lot fun knowing you.
Best Wishes
Miriam Haverland

Dear Beth,
I've certainly enjoyed knowing you. I hope you have much success and happiness in the future.
Best wishes Do swell girl.
Dorothy Howell
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Dear Beth
I've enjoyed your friendship very much and I hope it will co... for a long time to ... Lots of good luck and much happ...

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Dear Beth,
I can't tell you how much I have enjoyed our friendship and I hope we can keep on throughout the coming years. When you go to Stevens, don't forget to write to me sometimes and I will write too. I hope you may be able to come and see me some time. [illegible] have fun too! Study hard.
Love
Shirley Marcellus

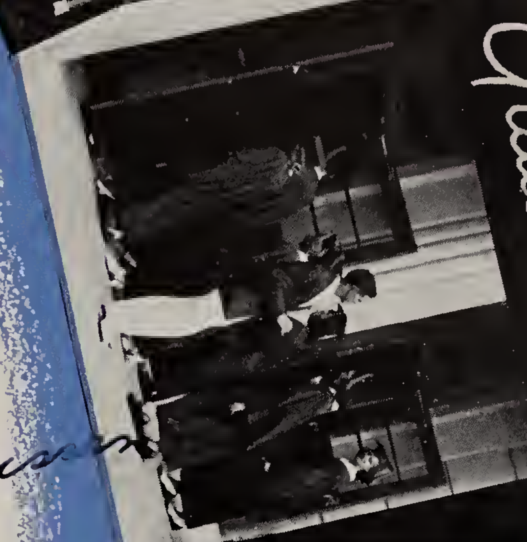
Good luck Beth
Stuart Rasmussen

Good Luck
from a neighbor
Bill Gibler

What a lucky girl you are to have such lovely curly hair - Keep singing Beth and come back and sing for me -
Love,
Nelle Welch

[illegible] of mine and a good [illegible]
Good luck always
[illegible]

Analysts



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Dedication

In her eighteen years as publications adviser in Rockford, Miss Katharine H. Obye has done a notable job in sponsoring the Rockford Senior high school publications and more recently the West High school publications. Throughout the years the Annual has been awarded All-American rating fourteen times by the National Scholastic and six times by the Columbia Press Associations. These honors have been the result of Miss Obye's excellent advice and supervision.

Those who have worked with her know her competence and suitability for her work. Miss Obye has won respect and admiration from the many persons with whom she comes in contact. Besides her work in publications, she has been President of the Rockford Teacher's Club four years, State Secretary of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society for four years also, and has spoken at both national press and educational conferences.

Her tireless enthusiasm as she has worked to make the Publications an integral part of school life and her participation in numerous activities outside of school have proved Miss Obye's interest in higher educational standards for school, community, state, and nation. For all of these reasons the staff has the honor of dedicating to Miss Obye this second edition of the West High School Annual.

Katharine L. Olds

Prologue

West High is on the air. This year the Annual staff presents to you, West High students, faculty, and friends, the 1942 Annual, your key to hours of enjoyment. The central theme of this year's book is "Radio", with your Annual serving as your television radio set. Comparing the operation of the school to a radio station, the staff has developed this theme and hopes to show the distinct likenesses between the two. As every radio station has its program director, so every school has its principal, whose duties are much the same in planning the programs and activities. As every radio station has its analysts so does West High have its teachers, who guide and direct the students throughout their school career. You, the readers, who compare to radio's vast audience, play a most important part. It is you who make the news to be written about, and it is for you that the news is written.

The various musical organizations at West High, along with many other extra-curricular activities, can be compared very appropriately to the talent division of a broadcasting station. From these organizations come your weekly paper, the Owl; music for the football and basketball games; your class plays; and various concerts throughout the year. All these go to fill your leisure hours with pleasure and profit. Just as your radio station has its commercials, so must your Annual have sponsors, which help make this book possible.

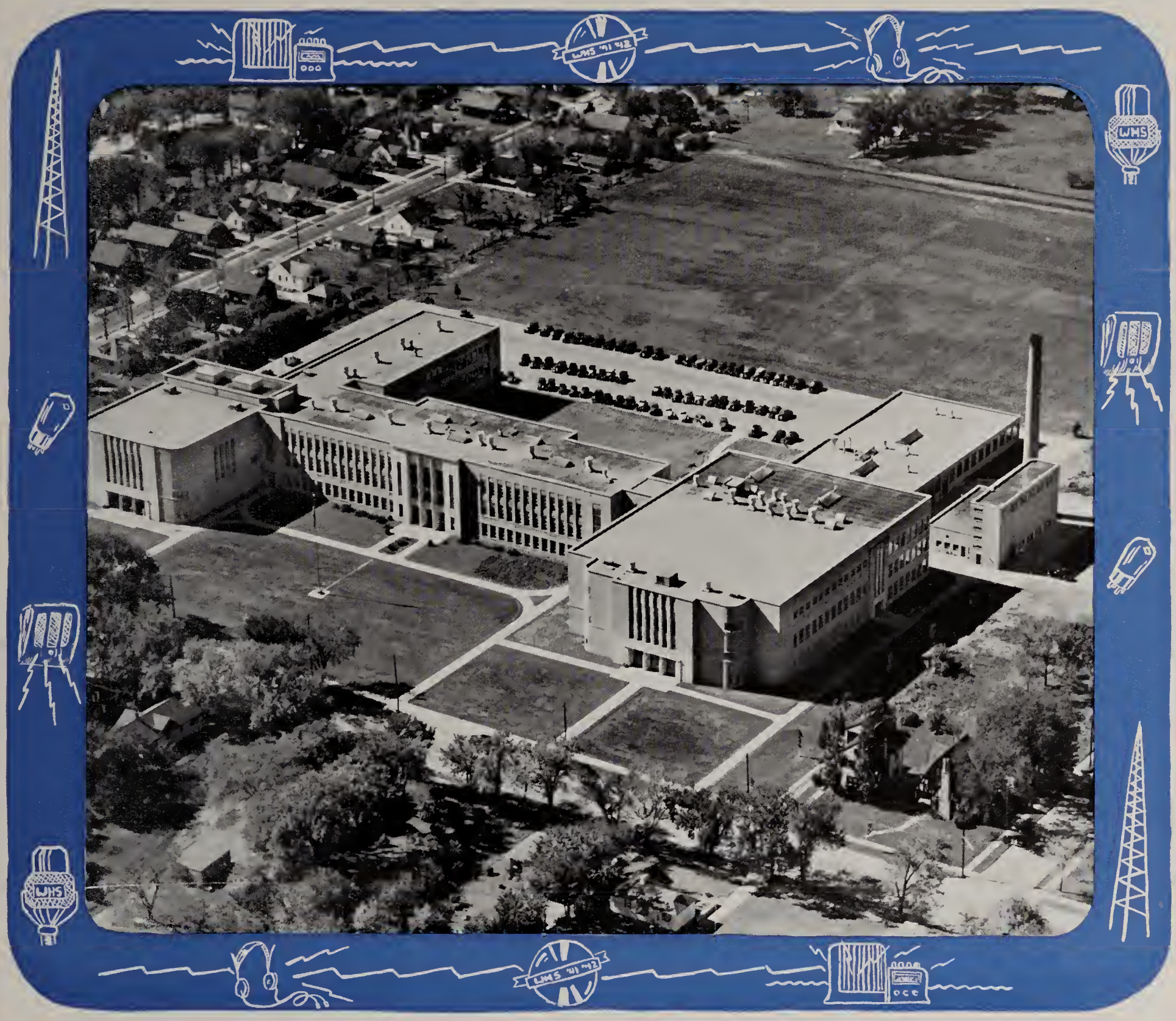
The 1942 Annual endeavors to show this close relationship between the school and a radio station and hopes, readers, that you will settle back in your easy chairs, set your dial at 1942, and see the program Station WEST has prepared for you.

Dear Beth,
I'll never for-
get what fun govern-
ment was last year, even
tho I think Miss Alberstett failed
us by getting married. You're a swell
kid with a grand personality, and I wish
you all the luck in the world.
Evelyn Schwanke
"Scotch"

WHS '41 '42

Best of luck, Beth
It's been really swell
knowing you and may
we meet again
Rich Shattuck

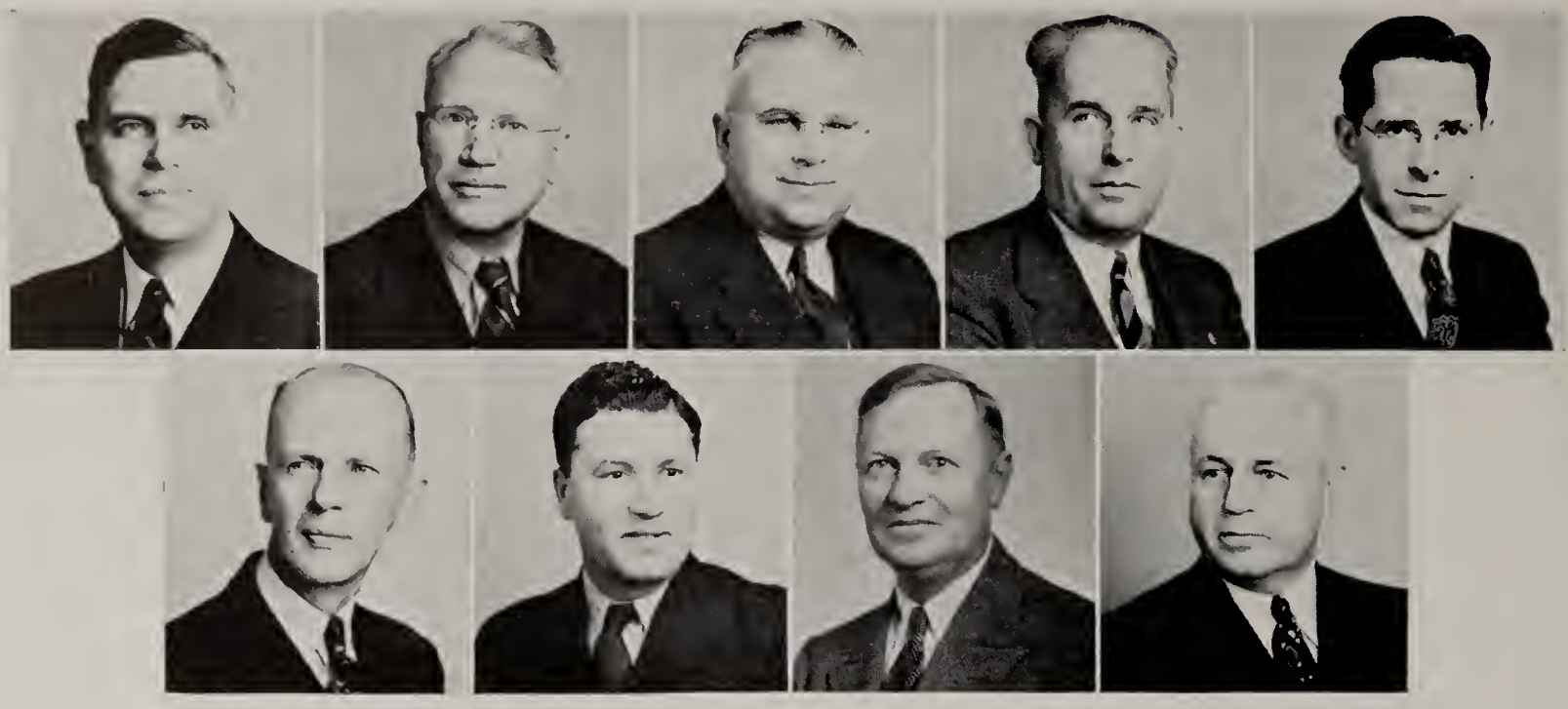
West High from the air . . . taken from southerly direction . . . south wing in foreground surrounded by wide open spaces.



From the northern point of vantage the building appears thus . . . gymnasium, industrial building . . . front campus in foreground.

Study of south end of the building which houses Auditorium and Little Theater . . . rounded corner lends modernistic atmosphere.

North end of building houses gymnasium, swimming pool, and offices of athletic directors . . . main entrance of West High seen at far south.



Selmer H. Berg M.A. *Superintendent of Schools*
Ernest Estwing *Member*
Lawrence A. Johnson *Member*
Tauge G. Lindquist *Member*
Thomas L. Nolan *Member*
George Olin *Member*
Peter Perrecone *Member*
Carson H. Porter *Member*
Adolph H. Seise *Member*

"American Challenge"

The second and fourth Monday of every month finds the Board of Education assembled in the Administration Building to discuss the various problems of Rockford public schools. During the school year of 1941-42, all efforts have been exerted to remedy the inadequate income of the educational fund. During the month of July, 1941, the Board of Education decided to run the Rockford public schools in the fall as long as the money on hand lasted. Plans were then made to keep the schools in session for ten weeks. On November 7, 1941, the schools were officially closed to take care of the deficit of about $155,000 in the educational fund.

Mayor C. Henry Bloom appointed a committee of forty-four citizens in October in an attempt to solve the school's financial situation. This committee, known as the Citizens' Schools Committee, was composed of a cross section of Rockford townspeople. After the committee was organized, Mr. O. M. Spaid, Rev. Paul A. Washburn, and Mr. Philip N. Peterson were appointed as heads of committees to determine a solution.

Chairmen of the Board of Education's varied committees are shown discussing, before the regular board meeting, their reports with Mr. Whitehead. Seated (left to right) are Mrs. Bates, Educational Committee Chairman, Mr. Whitehead, President of the Board of Education, and Mr. Estwing, Chairman of the Purchasing Committee. Standing are Mr. Seise, (left), Financial Committee Chairman, and Mr. Lindquist (right) Chairman of the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

Harry R. Shaw, *Member* — Vera E. Walling, *Chief Clerk* — Stanley Anderson M.D., *Physician* — Charles H. Davis, *Attorney* — Loren L. Whitehead, *President*

Hugh D. Tolmie, *Director of Buildings,* — Astrid W. Gustafson B.S., *Supervisor of Music* — Myrtle M. Irons M.A., *Supervisor of Art* — Mrs. Marion L. Bates, *Secretary*

"Democracy Marches"

Upon completion of a study of the financial problem of the schools, the committee recommended to the board that a referendum be held to increase the educational rate. The Board of Education decided to hold a referendum on December 16 to increase the educational rate fifty cents. The referendum was passed by a vote of more than 2 to 1 and the Rockford public schools were again opened on January 5, 1942.

The business of the Board of Education is carried on with the aid of four committees. Mrs. Marion L. Bates is chairman of the Educational Committee and is assisted by George Olin and Lawrence A. Johnson. The Building and Grounds Committee has as its chairman Tauge S. Lindquist and Harry R. Shaw and Thomas L. Nolan as members. The members of the Business and Finance Committee are Adolph H. Seise, Chairman, Ernest Estwing and Lawrence A. Johnson. The Purchasing Committee consists of Chairman Ernest Estwing, Carson H. Porter and Peter Perrecone.

Mr. Berg, Superintendent of Rockford Public schools is shown conferring with a group of supervisors and directors. Pictured from left to right are Mr. Berg, Mr. William R. Gardner, M.A., Director of Attendance Department, Mr. Clarence E. Sullivan, Board of Education Printer, Miss Lucy E. Normile, Director of Cafeterias. These people have charge of their respective departments in all of the Rockford public schools. Miss Walling (extreme right) is Chief Clerk of the Board of Education.

Program Director

Those responsible for planning, selecting, and preparing the content of our "1942" Yearbook have used "Radio" as a general theme. Radio terms are aptly applied to the sections of our "1942" annual. Representing the Faculty as Analysts; the Seniors, Juniors, and Sophomores as the Audience; the Clubs as Forums; the Art, Athletic, Dramatic, Forensic, Honor, Music, and Publication Activities as Talent; and the Advertising section as Sponsors; the West Senior High School educational program is given a fitting Radio interpretation.

This general theme "Radio" may well be carried one step further. The Senior high school program director or principal and the "Radio" program director have a few similar responsibilities. Both must plan programs which appeal to the interests or meet the apparent needs of their respective audiences. Both must present programs which produce results satisfactory to the sponsors either as parents and patrons or advertisers. Both must select talent on the basis of the ability of the talent to appeal to the interests and meet the apparent needs of their respective audiences to satisfy their respective sponsors. Both must continuously and consistently evaluate their respective programs and make such changes and adjustments as prove desirable and possible. Both must use to the greatest possible extent the cooperative assistance of their talent, their audiences, and their sponsors in planning, presenting, evaluating, and revising their respective programs.

The Senior high school program director must, with the assistance of the faculty, the student body, and the parents or patrons, plan and arrange the educational program in such a manner as to promote the greatest possible individual growth of the individual members of the student body. Desirable skills, interests, attitudes, and understandings must be the basis for the selection of the classroom and extra-classroom activities and the methods and procedures adopted and used. The manner in which our graduates and former students meet their respective responsibilities to their families, their employers, their fellow citizens, and to their city, state, and nation will determine the effectiveness and the efficiency of our Senior high school program.

JAMES E. BLUE, M.A.
Principal

For his kind cooperation and understanding in all the work of the publications as well as for the preparation of this page, we extend our sincere thanks to Mr. Blue.—The Annual Staff.

James E. Blue

Mr. Blue

MR. ARTHUR W. LUNDAHL, M.A.
Assistant Principal

MISS FLORENCE FOSTER
Registrar

"Directors"

"Directors"

In his dual capacity of assistant principal and dean of boys, Mr. Lundahl performs a long and varied list of daily duties. He assists in all advisory matters concerning the boys of West High by consultation with class counselors, the boys, and their parents. Among Mr. Lundahl's many other duties are the supervising of hall locker assignments, the distributing of book cards, checking attendance, preparing of the class schedule and adjusting the size of class groups. He also advises the Student Council and superintends the printing. As business manager of athletics he is a member of the Athletic Board of Control. The assistant principal acts as a chaperone at most of the social functions connected with the school. In his teaching career Mr. Lundahl especially enjoyed coaching experience at Rockford High and he places acting as coach of the 1930 "Big 7" championship football team foremost in thrilling events. Aside from his duties at West High, Mr. Lundahl acts as secretary of the Rockford Kiwanis club.***Beginning as secretary to the superintendent of Rockford Schools and the principal of the high school, Miss Florence Foster served as registrar at Rockford Senior High and West High for forty-five years. Her name has become almost synonymous with that of Rockford High school, not only because of her long term in office but also for the pleasant manner with which she performed all of her duties. "I always felt that my efforts were appreciated by the principal, teachers, and student body and this made my work a pleasure" Miss Foster stated. She also believes that the present student body of West High School is on the whole more serious and capable than former groups of students at Rockford High in days past. Miss Foster regrets losing touch with all of the students who enter from year to year. Since her retirement on November 7, 1941, Miss Foster has spent much of her time in St. Petersburg, Florida.

MISS HAZEL G. PUTNAM, B.A.
Dean of Girls

MRS. EVELYN G. JOHNSON
Registrar

"Directors"

"Directors"

As dean of girls, Miss Putnam is concerned mainly with problems which center about the social activities of the school, and the general welfare of the girls in West High. In addition to conferences with the girls, their parents, and the nurse about studies, health, and relative matters, Miss Putnam keeps a calendar of all social functions sponsored within the school. She is also chairman of the Organization Board which adjusts dates of club meetings, the points system, and other activities. Miss Putnam chaperones many of the social events personally and approves all other lists of chaperones submitted by the clubs. She is sponsor of the West High chapter of the National Honor Society and teaches three Latin classes. In school Miss Putnam who enjoyed studying Latin and history was impressed by a teacher who required definite achievement in classwork but amused his students by playing the violin during class. A trait that she admires in the character of her associates is consistency.***Mrs. Evelyn G. Johnson served as registrar at West High from the retirement of Miss Florence Foster on November 7 until March 7 when she was married to Mr. Stuart Johnson. Prior to her appointment as registrar Mrs. Johnson had been bookkeeper at the old Rockford high school and at West High. Among her duties as registrar were the enrolment of all students, keeping permanent accounts of their scholastic records, and transfering their records to other high schools and colleges as well as supervision of all office work. Mrs. Johnson's quiet and unflustered manner of dealing with all problems which interrupted her routine work won the admiration of her associates. A Rockford high school alumna, Mrs. Johnson particularly enjoyed mathematics and literature as studies. The reading of popular fiction is one of her favorite pastimes. A trip to the Pacific Northwest and Canadian Rockies was a memorable experience for Mrs. Johnson. She was much impressed by the modern architecture of West High, but acquired a dislike for its slippery floors.

Combined faculty and student committees have been detailed to promote campaign to aid in defense effort . . . Margaret Shelden, Miss Wray, Miss Ralston, and John Ross of the Health Committee confer on plans for campaign (above left) . . . Janet Hogan, Miss Fisher, Miss Boyd, and Suzanne Sanders plan activities of International Committee during Pan-American week.

"Analysts"

Defense stamps are sold in cafeteria by Mary Lou Kerlin while Shirley Johns, Miss Kirby, and Mr. Shumate check sales report (lower left) . . . Miss Johnson, Red Cross chairman, demonstrates splint making to Bill Trefz, Mr. Maitland, and Anna Laacker . . . (bottom) heads of other faculty committees for defense, include Mr. Trautmann, Miss Currier, Miss Brown, Mr. Weber, and Miss Pearson.

"Analysts"

Charles A. Beyer.

Helen F. Barlass B.A. *Mathematics*

Glen L. Batesole M.A. *Mathematics*

Elsie Beatty M.A. *English*

George A. Berg B.E. *Industrial Arts*

Charles A. Beyer B.A. *Physical Education Department Head*

June E. Bornor B.C.S. *Orchestra Director*

Eugenia C. Boyd B.E. *Commercial*

Mary H. Brown B.S. *Social Studies Head*

H. Keith Cady M.A. *Science*

"School Time"

Miss Barlass enjoys teaching the subject of Geometry—regards Raymond Gram Swing as a favorite news commentator.***Mr. Batesole admires honesty and industry in a student's traits—enjoys teaching Solid Geometry and Trigonometry—thinks Einstein and Pythagoras most famous mathematicians.***Miss Beatty admires the works of the poet, John Masefield—listens to "Information Please" on the radio.***Mr. Berg's favorite book is Shirer's "Berlin Diary" — tries to pattern his life after the world's greatest teacher.***Mr. Bornor does not like a student who attempts to play a violin with a book in his lap — admires Nelson Eddy.***Mr. Beyer, athletic director, thinks correcting physical defects a vital part of physical education today — considers Joe Louis world's greatest athlete.***Miss Boyd prefers teaching typing and bookkeeping — believes dependability and intelligence important for successful business career.***Miss Brown is pleased with a student who has the ability to get things done in an efficient manner—enjoys traveling.***Mr. Cady dislikes amateur programs — would always like to live in Rockford — considers Louis Pasteur most important scientist in the world.

Several members of the Commercial Department are shown hard at work over machines which they learn to operate in Bookkeeping classes. At these machines which are Monroe Calculators and adding machines are Lorraine Gatz, Frances Carafotias, and Jerry Sinnett. Bill Glenny, Clarence Lace, and Nancy Lindstrom offer suggestions and instructions to the operators.

Jean Campbell M.A.
Science

Mary I. Carlson M.A.
English

Theodora Coxon M.A.
English

Thomas F. Crull B.A.
Science

Mildred Currier M.A.
Physical Education

Mary L. Davis B.E.
Librarian

Robert J. Dennis M.A.
Social Studies

Floy E. Dentler, Ph.B.
Art

"Question Hour"

Miss Campbell thinks an ideal student is cooperative and honest in meeting requirements — enjoys traveling — likes biological sciences.***Maurice Evans delights Miss Carlson in Shakespearean roles such as that of Hamlet—"Information Please" is a favorite radio program.***In Mrs. Coxon's opinion reliability, good sportsmanship, and fairness in group work make an ideal student — values greatly her spare time.***The "will to succeed" is an outstanding characteristic of the ideal student, in Mr. Crull's opinion—likes fishing and boating. ***To Miss Currier formal health training is a vital part of education — regards Helen Jacobs and "Moe" Berg greatest athletes.***Miss Davis likes a student who shows honesty and dependability — since she enjoys reading all books, she has no favorite one.***Mr. Dennis thinks a United States of Europe as practical as keeping whole menagerie in one cage—admires Nathan Forrest.***To Miss Dentler the American Skyscraper represents the most famous piece of art — likes color combination aqua and gold.

A few students in Mr. Crull's Physics I class were photographed as they performed two experiments. The members of the group are (left to right) Willard Smith, George Rumsey, Barney Alfano, Robert Schandelmeir, and Lawrence Thomas. Willard and George are testing laws pertaining to centrifugal force by use of the centrifugal rotator while Barney, Robert, and Lawrence attest the resistance of air to electrical transmission.

Lois H. Dilley M.A. — *English Department Head*
Anna E. Driebusch M.A. — *Foreign Language*
Allen T. Elmquist M.M. — *Band Director*
Isabel Fisher B.A. — *Foreign Language Head*
Ruth S. Foster B.S. — *English*
Pearl L. Geddes M.A. — *English*
Mildred Greenlee M.A. — *Social Studies*
Samuel A. Guzzardo M.A. — *Social Studies*
Amy Hollem M.A. — *English*

"Meet The Folks"

Miss Dilley's favorite literary character is Maggie Tulliver in "Mill on the Floss"—rainy Saturdays stand out as pet aversion.***Miss Driebusch would enjoy traveling in Germany and Italy—would like to meet Leonide Massine, director and leading dancer of the Ballet Russe.***Mr. Elmquist's pet aversion is high school students thumbing a ride for only a few blocks—considers Toscanini greatest symphony conductor.***Miss Fisher enjoys traveling in Mexico — chose Spanish because she thought it was the easiest language, but she was soon disillusioned.***Miss Foster dislikes snobbery—as a modern author she considers A. J. Cronin outstanding.***Miss Geddes' favorite author is Willa Cather—Maurice Evans and Helen Hayes rank high with her as actors.***Miss Greenlee admires Abraham Lincoln — "Magnificent Obsession" chosen as a favorite book — favors a vacation in the Northwest — thinks a United States of Europe unlikely.***Mr. Guzzardo admires a student's sincerity and willingness to try — enjoys playing tennis—would like teaching sociology—favors the book "You Can't Do Business With Hitler."***To Miss Hollem, Katherine Cornell stands out as an outstanding actress — as a famous playwright she chose George Bernard Shaw.

A group of girls in Miss Johnson's Home Nursing class is demonstrating the procedure involved in bathing a baby. They are (left to right): Sara Capace, Marilyn Ghent, Betty Spafford, Polly Williamson, Gloria Thorpe, and Bernice Brace. The pan at the left holds part of the equipment necessary for giving the bath. Bathing the baby properly is only one phase of Home Nursing which is important.

Tom C Horrall

It was nice knowing you, even if only in a very small way. Good wishes.
Hilda Humphreys

Serena D. Holmin B.S. *Home Economics*
Tom C. Horrall B.S. *Science*
J. Ann Hughes M.S. *Science, Phys. Ed.*
Hilda Humphreys M.M. *Music*
Camilla Johnson M.A. *Home Economics Head*
Elizabeth M. Kieffer M.A. *Commercial*
Irene A. Kirby B.E. *Commercial*
Carl H. Klampe *Industrial Arts*
Dorothy A. Knill M.A. *Social Studies*

"The Answer Man"

Miss Holmin likes to teach girls to make clothes and to dress attractively — handles costuming for the school plays — designed red formal for "June Mad".***Mr. Horrall would like to live in the North in the winter — likes to teach Natural Sciences — Boake Carter ranks high as a news commentator — enjoys the Southwest.***Mrs. Hughes would like to teach bacteriology and parasitology — enjoys the pleasure of true friendship — dislikes dishonesty and jealousy — likes to hear any and all news commentators.***Miss Humphreys likes all phases of her job — admires honesty, cheerfulness and cooperation in a student — likes to cook and play golf during vacation.***Miss Johnson enjoys teaching clothing, needlecraft, and Every Day Living for Girls — a favorite vacationland is Florida — has no particular pet aversion.***Miss Kieffer prefers to teach shorthand and typing — dislikes gum chewing in class — thinks more stress should be placed on a pleasing personality for business success.***Miss Kirby feels that good judgment and dependability are important for success in business — dislikes snakes — was Green Bay Packers win a national championship.***Mr. Klampe prefers teaching woodworking or drafting — is helping to design and build an amphibian tank — says Industrial Arts help train men for defense employment.***Miss Knill, junior counselor, believes that Hawaii is an ideal vacation land — would like to live in Phoenix — chooses Gunther's book "Inside Latin America" as her favorite.

Several students from Miss Dentler's Art class designed the decorations for a dinner given in honor of Miss Isabelle Duffey, English teacher, and Miss Florence Foster, registrar, upon their retirement. Shown at their work are Camilla Ingrassia, Don McCracken, who carves a pumpkin, Dorothy Steneck, Pat Eiler, Dorothy Hendricks, and Ted Hubbard, who is supplying the students with necessary materials for their work.

"Listening

Subjects of importance in world affairs of today are discussed in Miss Scandroli's debate class. Jeanette Caldwell, Pauline Burkhart, Robert Anderson, Jacqueline Major, and Janet Westerman listen as Richard Roe gives his opinion on compulsory military training. The class members are taking notes on Richard's discussion, and when he concludes his task, they will offer rebuttal arguments on the same topic.*** Between the halves of the East-West game combined bands under the direction of Mr. Allen Elmquist presented a sketch of various stages in American history. Beginning with the Indians and Pilgrims, the bands then formed a huge liberty bell shown in this picture. The bell was "rung" by means of a crepe paper clapper by the drum major and sounded from a chime in the stands.***One of the most attractive features of the English department is the High School Book League. It is through this club that students may obtain some of the world's best sellers at the price of twenty-five cents for four copies with the fifth as a dividend. Receiving their newly arrived books from Miss Elsie Beatty are Kendall Bates, Janette Caldwell, Roberta Bertram, and Gloria Barnum.***A few members of the girl's gym classes spend their two hours per week playing either badminton or table tennis in the girl's auxilliary gymnasium. These girls were snapped just as Marie O'Connor lifted her racket to hit the shuttlecock over the net to Lois Korff and Helen Knodle. Marie's partner is Jeanne St. Pierre. Watching the serve and keeping score are LaDora Grear and Marilyn Faul.

Post"

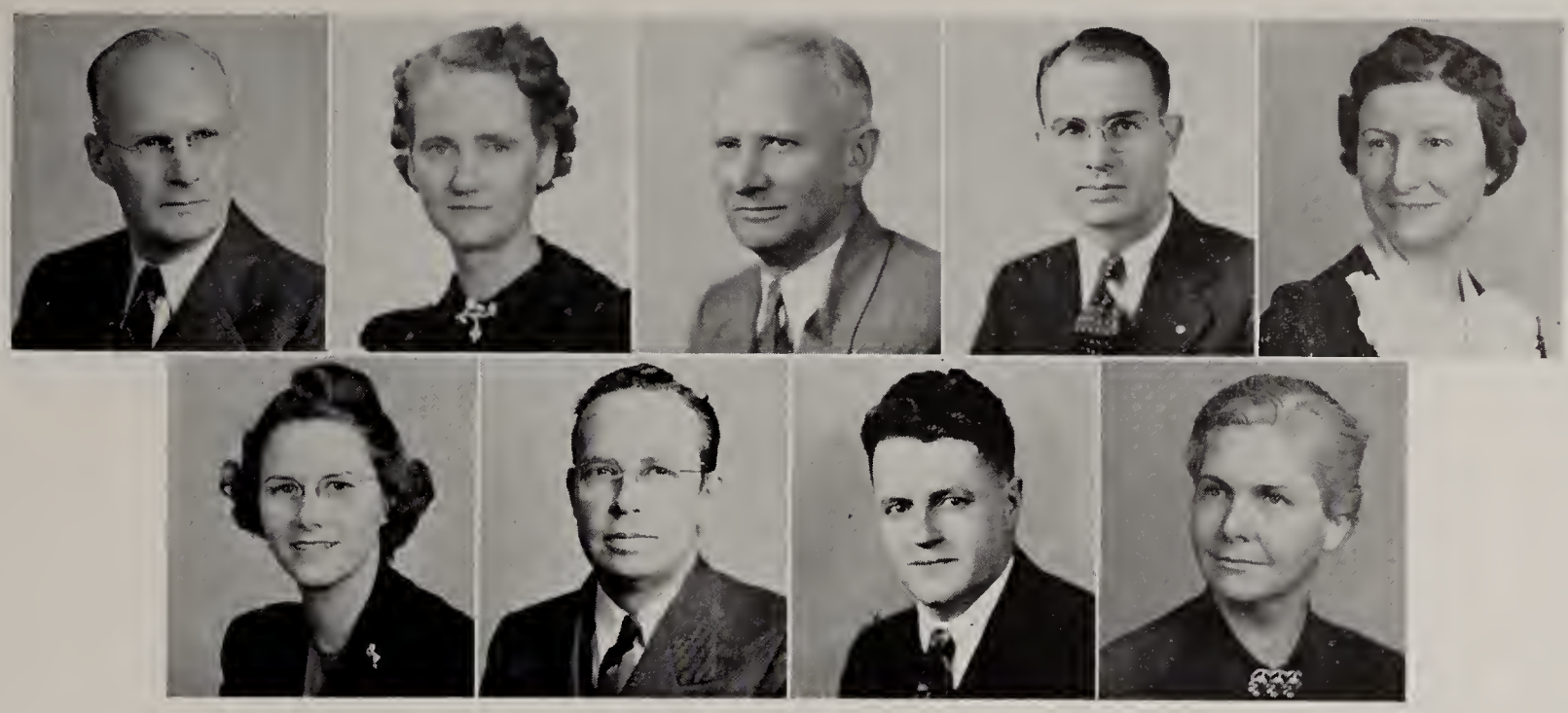
A background of pictures taken during the first world war helped these six students in Miss Mary Brown's U. S. History classes realize the importance of some of the equipment. Gordon Early and Frank Ladik wear and exhibit several articles which are actual specimens from the last war. The students examining the equipment are Marian Eskelson, Betty Kelley, Dale Damon, and Barbara Ralston.***As October marks the annual drive of the Commuity Chest fund in Rockford, Miss Edith Whiting's Sociology classes presented a program concerning the fund at a meeting of the 8-5-3 Club. Chad Brooks (standing) related the history of the fund, Joan Ralston explained Day Nursery, and Clifford Wylie discussed Goodwill Industries. Sarah Capace, Phyllis Lupe, and Florence Shaver also spoke. Bill Trefz, chairman, introduced these speakers.***Ceramics and sculptoring are two of the activities in which Miss Dentler's advanced art classes participate. Lois Fibrow and Evelyn Schwanke are shown working with small pieces of statuary while Alan Bergstrom, Oral Coxhead, Norman Hollenbeck, and Gayle Olson perfect pottery which is to be baked in the new kiln in the art department. Other pieces of art work may be seen on the surrounding tables.***Learning to harmonize well is the main object of Miss Humphrey's Harmony I Class. Original music is written and sung also. Joyce Schmeling is showing to the class a musical score composed by the Harmony group while Bud Dennis reads the music to her. Other members of the class are Stuart Rasmussen, Rae Gale, Beryl Gustafson, Wilbur Cleveland, Nancy Williams, Bill Harman, and Francis Anderson.

Harry W. Kroll M.S. — *Employment Director*
Harry Maitland B.E. — *Industrial Department*
Margaret Mikkelsen B.A. — *English*
Howard Q. Miller M.A. — *Social Studies*
Katharine H. Obye Ph.B. — *English*
Maxine R. Ollman B.A. — *Social Studies*
Elizabeth Pearson B.A. — *English*
Col. E. L. Pell — *Military Science*
Marion Pierce — *Physical Education*

"The World Today"

Mr. Kroll's favorite book is "My Friendly Contemporaries" by Hamlin Garland — considers Golden Rule important for getting along in the world.***The ability to assume responsibility after elementary instructions indicates an ideal student to Mr. Maitland — enjoys reading the "American Magazine."***Miss Mikkelsen admires Sidney Carton, Dickens' famous character — dislikes people who are too outspoken — considers Bernard Shaw her favorite playwright.***A student's interest and willingness to try impress Mr. Miller — feels that increasing prices are of great concern.***A favorite with Miss Obye is radio program, "Of Men and Books" — dislikes smugness — Bette Davis ranks high in her opinion.***Miss Ollman admires everyone who makes the world a better place in which to live — desires to live anywhere there are trees.***Miss Pearson, dramatic coach, dislikes smart alecks — William Shakespeare remains her favorite playwright.***Colonel Pell believes that the only solution to securing an armed force is the draft — considers Alexander the Great, the best military strategist.***Miss Pierce considers good health vital to everyone — considers Katherine Rawls the world's greatest athlete.

Miss Whiting's Sociology class spent several days exhibiting their hobby collections. The students shown in the picture are (left to right) Marian Eskelsen, Bill McMillan, Donald Rickard, Kent Moberg, Leslie Blake, Glenn Coxhead, and Emery Palmer. Seated are Sylvia Kreuter, Carl Paternostro, and Dorothy Seirup. Among the displays shown on the table are a collection of coins, stamps, soap, and arrowheads.



Charles M. Pratt
Industrial Arts

Margaret Ralston B.S.
Home Economics

Cloyd O. Robeson B.S.
Industrial Arts

Alfred D. Sabin M.A.
Industrial Arts

Lena Scandroli M.A.
Foreign Language

Christine Sheetz B.A.
Mathematics

Clarence E. Shumate B.S.
Commercial

Robert B. Shumway B.A.
Industrial Department Head

Katherine Slade M.A.
Mathematics Department Head

"Time To Remember"

Mr. Pratt believes training young and old for defense work is important task of today — follows the philosophy "live and let live"***Miss Ralston's favorite vacation trips are through the mountains — admires the student who can think for himself — thinks the war makes us appreciate life more.***Mr. Robeson considers industrial arts training an important factor in National Defense — tries to have no enemies.***Mr. Sabin is impressed by the beauty and vastness of America — granted leave of absence because of illness.***Miss Scandroli loves to work with young people—considers friendliness and cooperation a part of the ideal student.***Miss Sheetz is pleased by an accurate student who has initiative and enthusiasm—listens to commentator H. V. Kaltenborn on the radio.***Mr. Shumate considers honesty, industry, and initiative effective in business — most thrilled by his first new car.***Mr. Shumway enjoys his infrequent vacations — Boake Carter, favorite commentator—"live while you go along" is his philosophy.***Miss Slade admires sincerity and independence in a student — favorite news commentator is Clifton Utley—favorite mathematician is David Eugene Smith.

In order to have a minor in Mathematics many students take courses in Algebra and Geometry. Shown here is Miss Sheetz's class in Geometry II. Several of the students attempt to solve problems at the blackboard. Among those who work diligently at their desks are Joan Hamer, Carolyn Hand, and Margaret Rasmussen, busily plying their compasses and protracters in an effort to prove the problems.

Sgt. Isaac D. Smith
Military Science

Harrison Trautmann B.A.
Commercial Dept. Head

Bertha J. Vincent M.A.
English

Ethel Vincent M.A.
Mathematics

Eugene E. Vogt B.E.
Industrial Arts

Alice E. Walker M.A.
Social Studies

Fred G. Weber M.A.
Science Department Head

Maud E. Weinschenk, M.A.
English

Gabriel Wertch B.E.
Industrial Arts

"Nothing But The Truth"

Sergeant Smith believes teaching discipline and citizenship to young boys of America is most needed today —urges "Keep U.S A. Free".***Mr. Trautmann's most thrilling experience was a trip to the Nation's Capital —believes in a thorough preparation for chosen field.***The war has tended to make Mrs. Vincent think of how many things humanity does not know — likes to read books on philosophy — admires open-mindedness in students.***To Miss Vincent, senior counselor, honesty, cheerfulness, and stick-to-itiveness make an ideal student—enjoys traveling—"Berlin Diary" her favorite book.***Mr. Vogt believes that friends should be sincere — left to instruct at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station in January.***Miss Walker enjoys vacationing in Wisconsin — is content to live in Rockford — thinks a United States of Europe an excellent idea.*** Mr. Weber would like to live in California — pet aversion is the craze for greater speed — Drew Pearson is favorite commentator.***Miss Weinschenk enjoys teaching Creative Writing since it enables her to work with the pupils — likes trips into forests.***Mr. Wertsch's choice of reading matter is Elbert Hubbard's "Little Journeys" — says Industrial Department is providing workers for defense industries.

Working diligently on scrap books of South American countries these students were found in Miss Fisher's Spanish III class. Peggy Bartling points out something of interest in her notebook to Janet Hogan while Eugenie Wright takes a picture from Carl Gustafson to paste into her scrapbook on Argentina. Phyllis Pickering concentrates on an article about South America while Art Mason reads over her shoulder.

Helen Wray R.N.

Chas. E. Whitenack M.A. *Social Studies* | Edith Whiting B.A. *Social Studies* | Milo E. Willson B.A. *Physical Education* | Helen R. Wray R.N. *Nurse* | John W. Wyeth M.A. *Social Studies*

Oliver Schade M.S. *Employment Director* | Eleanor R. Carlson *Clerk* | Margaret Denney *Stenographer* | Arlene Wessels *Library Clerk*

Margaret Denney

"Invitation To Learning"

Mr. Whitenack's ideal student is co-operative and mentally alert — enjoys teaching United States History and Government — likes contemporary book, "Inside Latin America."***Miss Whiting desires to live in the mountains of Montana — hopes a United States of Europe will be perfected.***Mr. Willson, varsity football coach, derived much enjoyment in coaching — thinks cooperation and effort make an ideal student. ***Miss Wray regrets that she is not in active service relieving suffering — enjoys trips to scenic spots with congenial friends.***Mr. Wyeth likes the change in atmosphere a vacation provides—is ready to be called for active war service.***"Berlin Diary" by W. L. Shirer is Mr. Schade's favorite book—considers helping others essential to good living—prefers drafting to other branches of Industrial Arts.***Miss Carlson enjoys most the clerical work that she does for athletics—believes reliability to be important in making an ideal student.***Miss Denney's favorite book is "Keys of the Kingdom" by Cronin—enjoys her work with permanent records most. ***Miss Wessels' ideal student is one who is honest, reliable and cooperative — favorite contemporary book is Ethel Vance's "Escape."

In October the Winnebago County Tuberculosis Association sponsored the annual skin tests available free of charge to all students. Sophomores were particularly urged to take the test while juniors and seniors with former negative reactions also took the test if they wished. Dr. Stanley Anderson, school physician, is shown giving the tests. Mrs. Ethel Olson, nurse, and Jane Holt, student assistant, prepare the serum.

"Information

Listening to Mr. Blue, right, explain the building, equipment, and school regulations, are nine teachers who became new members of the West Senior High school faculty at the beginning of last September. They are left to right: Mr. Robert Dennis, Miss Elizabeth Kieffer, Mrs. Ann Hughes, Mr. Sam Guzzardo, Miss Margaret Mikkelson, Mr. Keith Cady, Mrs. Louise Carlin, Mr. John Wyeth, and Miss Eugenia Boyd.***When Miss Pearl Ritchie, Miss Etta Brown, and Mr. John Haight retired last June, they were honored at a farewell banquet given by their fellow teachers. The social committee members of the faculty made all the arrangements for the very successful banquet which was held in our school cafeteria.***Seated (left to right), are the Misses Ruth Foster, Elizabeth Pearson, Lena Scandroli, and Margaret Mikkelson, guests at Miss Amy Hollem's home at a luncheon given by the English department of West High for the English faculty of East High honoring Miss Isabelle Duffey, a retired West High English teacher.***At a luncheon in the West High cafeteria last June, the faculty honored three retiring members, Mr. John Haight (second from left) Miss Etta Brown (third from the left), and Miss Pearl Ritchie (center). Both Miss Brown and Miss Ritchie were presented with silver platters and Mr. Haight with a traveling kit.

Please"

Given in honor of the retirement of Mr. Haight, who had been a teacher in the Rockford high schools for the last thirty-five years, was a steak fry at the home of Mr. Harrison Trautmann on Halsted Road. Miss Pearl Ritchie, who also retired, is frying her steak at the right. ***Among the guests at the Honorary Musical Society's annual Banquet were the members of the Radio Committee of the Rockford Teachers' club. This committee is headed by Miss Mary Carlson (right). Miss Lavinia Swartz, (at the head of table) a director of the WBBM program activities, later addressed the group.***Mr. Haight, (left) teacher and band emeritus director; Miss Brown, sophomore counselor; and Miss Ritchie, (right) commercial instructor, retired from the West High faculty last spring. At a farewell party held in their honor, Miss Holmin, acting as social chairman for the fellow teachers, and Mr. Blue extend their best wishes.***When Miss Isabelle Duffey (left), who was a West High English teacher retired last year, she was entertained at a luncheon given by the English department. Among the guests were (left to right) the Misses Mellie John, Edna Youngquist, Lois Dilley, Mrs. Theodora Coxon, Miss Hazel Koch, Miss Katharine Obye, and Miss Anne Hunter.

To promote Senior activities student committees are chosen . . . at upper left Vernie Lindstrom, Bill Trefz, Jean Picken, and Irene Peterson plan senior prom decorations arranged by Home Room 304 . . . (above) Warren Glenny and La Dora Greer, senior members of the hard-working stage crew work on a set . . . Crew handled stage settings for all school productions.

"Audience"

Helen Laucius, Betty Stanley and Della Pirages, properties committee members, check supplies for senior play "When Knighthood Was in Flower" . . . Chairmen for senior prom include George Bradley, Marajean Pedlow, Richard McGinnis, and Gordon Smith (far right) . . . First semester officers: Vernie Lindstrom, vice-president; Richard McGinnis, president; Peggy Bartling, treasurer; Bill Trefz, secretary; with Miss Vincent, senior adviser.

"Audience"

"Unlimited

A big event in the life of all graduating seniors is the day that caps and gowns are issued. Seen to the left are Leon Rosensweig (left), Marjorie Commer, and William Early, getting used to their caps and gowns which they wore during school.

A group of the graduating seniors, looking very studious in their grey caps and gowns, were photographed as they stood together in the main hall looking through a copy of the 1941 West High Annual. Included in the group are Helen Roland, Harriet Walker, Paul Lombardo, Dorothy Jacob, and Eleanor Jones (reading from left to right).

Commencement exercises last June were held in the Coronado Theater at ten o'clock in the morning, and the speaker for the occasion was Dr. Irving Maurer, the late president of Beloit College. In the above picture Jane Stanbery, class treasurer, has just handed a diploma to the principal, Mr. Blue, while Sally Carter, senior secretary, looks on. Mr. Loren Whitehead is helping Mr. Blue. The junior class had charge of stage decorations: bouquets of white peonies and red carnations and ferns.

Horizons"

Speeches by the faculty and students ended the program for the senior luncheon. Student speakers were representatives from the eight 12A home rooms. Shown standing at the speaker's table (lower left) (left to right) Miss Vincent, Senior adviser, Richard McGinnis, class president, Joe Cardine, Marajean Pedlow, Pete Stravos, Betty Spafford, Mr. Blue, Principal, Chad Brooks, toastmaster, Florence Shaver, Alan Wallbank, Jim Retsinas, Marion Swanstrom, and Miss Knill, junior counselor. Shown seated at one of the luncheon tables are (lower right) Miss Pearson (left) Jack Eliot, Jack Mueller, Betty Lou Doyle, Virginia Polstra, and Sarah Capace.

The event climaxing the graduating seniors' activities before June commencement was their farewell luncheon which was held in the West High cafeteria on Wednesday, February 11. A committee for the luncheon supervised by Miss Vincent was in charge of (upper picture, left to right) Richard Buchanan, Joan Ralston, music committee, Kent Moberg, chairman of decorations committee, Beth Corbridge, William Trefz, chairman of general committee, Genevieve Wallin, Jim Johnson, and Kenneth White. Music throughout the luncheon was supplied by Nancy Williams, cello, Bob Nelson, violin, and Stanton Hyer, organ. The program opened with the entire luncheon group joining in community singing.

The Class

LUCILLE PHYLLIS ABENE

"Live and let live" is Lucille's Philosophy of life — admires impartiality in teachers — favorite announcer, Harry Vonzel — enjoys ping pong—would like to live in Kentucky.

JOHN ANTHONY ALIS

Johnny has the unusual combination of a dog and cat as pets — much enjoyed orchestra, Kay Kyser—favorite sport, basketball—wants to live in Florida.

DOROTHY BERTHA ANDERSON

GAA 2, 3, 4

"Dotty" admires personality and friendliness in a teacher — has won a major award in GAA — prizes a doll made by an old Indian friend.

LEONARD LEO ADRIGNOLA

"Pewee's" pet peeve is to be pushed in the halls—names "Captain Blood" his favorite book—enjoys Kay Kyser—likes football and basketball.

ELIZABETH JEAN ARNOLD

8-5-3, 2, 4; Glee 3; A Cappella 4

Betty Jean has enjoyed all her music courses—collects china cars as a hobby—likes Ted Husing as announcer—"One Man's Family" a radio favorite.

JACQUELINE ROSE ARNOLD

Student Council 2, 3; President 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; ROTC Sponsor 4

Golf is Jackie's favorite occupation—plans to become a medical librarian after studying at DePauw University—likes the March of Time as a radio program.

MELVIN ALLEN BACKER

Mel plans to attend University of Alabama—hobby is reading plays — would like to meet Bob Hope, his favorite radio comedian for favorite radio program.

ALICE BETHANA BAILS

ABL 3, 4; Social Arts 3, 4; Glee 3, 4

Alice plans a nursing career—has liked studying German — favorite sport, tennis — "laugh and the world laughs with you", her golden rule of life.

DOROTHY MAE BALL

Tri-Y 2; Curtain 3; Home Room Secretary 2

"Dotty" collects records and sketches as a hobby — wants to become a fashion designer — favorite subject, literature—would like to meet Bette Davis.

BETTY EARLINE BANES

Social Arts 3, 4

To meet Franklin D. Roosevelt is Betty's ambition—has enjoyed shorthand courses while in high school — collects dinner menus and dance programs.

CARL ELDON BARGER

Band 2, 3, 4; Commercia 4; Music Appreciation 3, 4

Barge has been a member of the school's German Band — collects pennants from different cities—would like to live in Hollywood—favorite sport, football.

ELISABETH MARY BARKEY

ABL 3, 4; Publications 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 4

Liz believes in "Looking on the bright side of life" — enjoys working on publications—favorite sportscaster, Bob Elson — would like to meet Dorothy Thompson.

MIRIAM EVELYN BARSTOW

"Skid" hopes to be a stenographer after graduation—enjoys the swimming pool — thinks Dick Jergens, tops — believes Fulton Lewis, Jr. most outstanding commentator —listens faithfully to Jack Benny.

MARGARET ANN BARTLING

GAA 2; Student Council 3, 4; 8-5-3, 3, 4; Class Treasurer 4

"Peg" collects glass animals, and "Please Be Quiet" signs as her hobby—oily hair, her pet peeve — admires people with good imaginations.

ROBERT BEALES

"Harpo" hopes to live in California or New York — considers Conan Doyle's Sherlock Holmes favorite book — most popular ochestra, Alvin Ray's —favorite sport, football.

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MARGARET ANN BENJAMIN

A Cappella Choir 3; Tri-Y 4; Commercia 4

"Benji" wants to go to business college—believes A Cappella choir has given her a greater appreciation of music —enjoys tennis and ice skating.

PATRICIA JANE BERTSCH

Tri-Y 2; Student Council 2, Home Room Vice-President 4

Pat believes we should eat, sleep, and be merry — favorite book, "Gone With the Wind"—enjoys Wayne King—favorite sport as spectator, football.

DEWITT WILLIAM BENNETT

Publications 3, 4; Hi-Y 3, 4; Quill Scroll 3, 4

"Benny is definitely jounalistically minded —intends going to U. of Texas & Missouri— thinks the most important thing school has done for him is to meet people.

BETTY LOU BIGALOW

Glee 2, 3, 4; Commercia 2, 3, 4

Bet is an enthusiast of bicycling — believes "If you laugh, the world laughs with you. Weep and you weep alone" — enjoys Glee Club work-outs.

WANDA MAXINE BLACK

Commercia 3, 4; Social Arts 3, Treasurer 4; Tri-Y 4

"Wan" enjoys playing basketball—wants to go to business school to learn the use of comptometers — is an Art Kassel and Henry Aldrich fan.

SHIRLEY LOUISE BLOCK

ABL 2, 3, 4; Music Appreciation 2, 3, 4; Euclidian Circle 4

"Sherkey" believes "What the world is for us depends on what we are ourselves" — thinks Owl work taught her how to carry responsibilities.

JOSEPHINE THERESA BOCANELLI

Girls' Athletic Council 3; Home Room Secretary 4

Josephine's favorite orchestra is Dick Jurgens — admires humor in a teacher — favorite book, "The Good Earth" — pet peeve, high heels with anklets.

JUNE MADELYN BOETTCHER

GAA 2, 3, 4; Pan American 4; Honorary Musical Society 4

"Butch" wants to be a music teacher—likes roller skating and dancing—was thrilled when inducted into Honorary Musical Society—favorite subject literature.

AVIS MAE BORN

8-5-3, 2; Commercia 4

Avis collects miniature dogs — golden rule of life is "Live and let live" — hopes to meet Queen Elizabeth — hopes to be a stenographer after she graduates.

TRACY GEORGE BORST

Band 2, 3, Vice-President 4; Home Room Vice-President 3, 4

Tracy had enjoyed Band most — hopes to make a career of music —likes the public address system — wishes to meet Bob Hope.

WAVA PAULINE BOWTON

A Cappella Choir 4

Wava's hobby is playing the piano — considers swimming pool best of modern equipment — believes life is what you make it — hopes to meet Helen Keller.

BERNICE ETHEL BRACE

Bernice plans to enter nurses' training after graduation — favorite orchestra leader, Jimmy Dorsey—would like to live in California — enjoys the Christmas holidays.

GEORGE RUSSELL BRADLEY

Hi-Y 4; Orchestra Vice-President 4; Euclidian Circle 4

"Rusty's" greatest thrill was being appointed a lieutenant—likes ROTC because it makes a gentleman of one — enjoys the public address system.

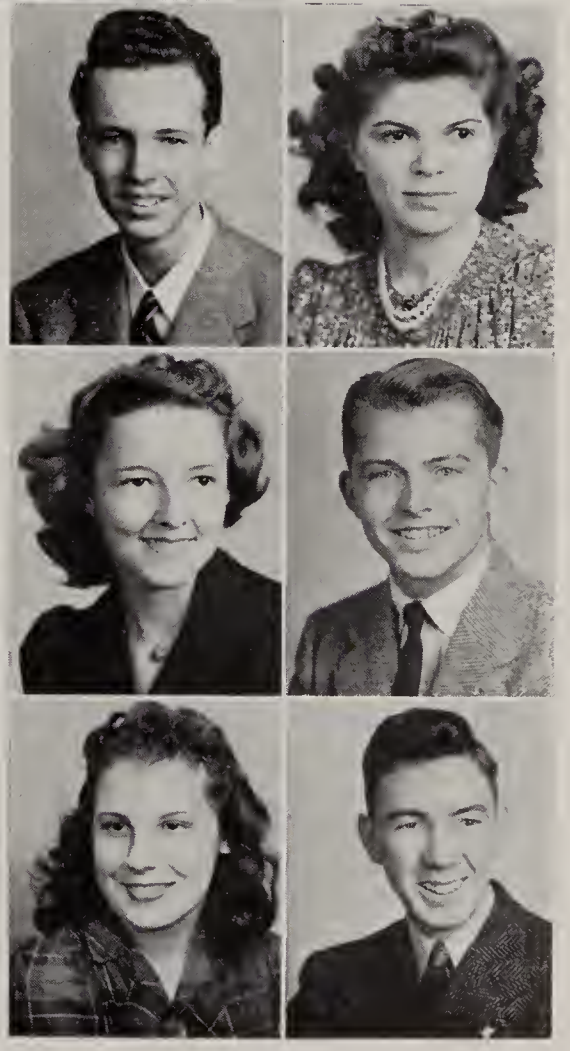
LORRAINE BRAZZELL

"Susie" hopes to be a stenographer — favorite radio program is Lux Radio Theater — enjoys swimming — meeting Gene Autry would make her happy.

RICHARD CHAD BROOKS

Owl 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Quill and Scroll 3, 4

Chad greatly enjoys baseball — would change places with Branch Rickey of Cardinals — football and basketball make up interesting part of school life.



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WENDELL BROOKS

Forum 3; Home Room President 3, 4

"To thineself be true" is "Windy's" golden rule — further education, University of Chicago — informality and understanding are characteristics the "senator" admires most in teachers.

JACK ALLEN BROPHY

Band Treasurer 3, 4; ROTC Captain 4; National Honor Society 4

Jack would like to attend West Point after graduation — favorite commentator is William Shirer — believes in "doing your best in everything you do."

DALE FREDERICK BRUCKNER

Dale enjoys watching football or basketball games — physics has given him most pleasure — believes "honesty is the best policy" — wants to meet Kay Kyser.

RICHARD STUART BUCHANAN

8-5-3, 4; Glee 3, Treasurer 4; Curtain 4

Dick plans to further his education at Beloit or Columbia — would like to change places with Errol Flynn — hopes to make home in state of Washington.

BETTYLOU MAE BUCHER

Bettylou plans to become a nurse after graduation — likes Tommy Dorsey's orchestra — admires a teacher who can smile —favorite holiday is Christmas.

EMIL SALVADORE BUFALO

Glee Club 4

"Buff's" hobby is raising pigeons—hopes to have a musical career — enjoys having seen the East-West games — favorite radio program, Kay Kyser.

LORRAINE RUTH BURDICK

Commercia 4; 8-5-3, 4; Home Room Secretary 4

Lorraine hopes to be a stenographer—would like to meet the Duke of Windsor — has enjoyed her literature classes most — enjoys attending football games.

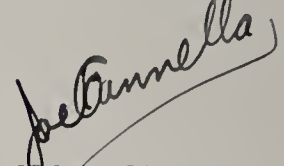
VIRGINIA LOUISE BURRIS

ABL 3, 4; Curtain 3, 4; Euclidian Circle 3, Treasurer 4

"Ginny" believes, "If at first you don't succeed, try, try again" —favorite sport, golf— "Take it or leave it" is favorite radio program.

BETTY JANE BUSHAW

Betty would like to attend business school after graduation—likes the gym of new school —enjoys bowling, and collecting souvenirs.



RAYMOND FRANCIS CACCIATORE

Ray plans to enter a machinist's field of industry—would like to meet Jack Benny — enjoys golfing — plans to go to Armour Tech after graduation.

MARIAN CLARA CAMPOBELLO

8-5-3, 4; Library 2; Seco 2

Marian would like to journey around the world—favorite book, "The Patriot" — believes that student activities spirit could be improved — receives much pleasure from Wayne King's music.

JOE AL CANNELLA

"J C" plans to further education at University of Minnesota — pet peeve, conceited girls — enjoys playing football — favorite musical selection is "Green Eyes"

SARA ANN CAPACE

8-5-3, 4; Library Board 4

"Afternoon of a Faun" is Sara's favorite song—admires a teacher's ability to bring out the best in a pupil — Lowell Thomas, best liked commentator.

FRANCES MARY CARAFOTIAS

GAA 2, 3, 4; Glee 3, 4; Librarian 3, 4

Frances says "love, honor and obey, and always have fun." — collects trinkets, stamps and autographs — favorite musical selection is "The Search" by Fibich.

JOE GODFREY CARDINE

Pan American 2; 8-5-3, 2; Basketball Manager 3

An old pistol in his gun collection is Joe's proudest possession — pet peeve, gum chewing—admires a sense of humor in his teachers.

CORRINE JUNE CARLBERG

Social Arts 4; Home Room Secretary 4

Corrine enjoys horseracing and riding — would like to live in Maryland — plans entering art institute in Chicago — admires humor in a teacher.

JOHN CHARLES CARLBERG

John believes in the rule of "Live and learn" — admires people with pleasing personality — favorite sports are baseball football, swimming, and fishing.

ROBERT PRESTON CARLSON

Safety Council 2; Football 2

After graduation Bob plans to attend business school — believes in making as many friends as possible — school has made him think more clearly for himself.

Although West high school, which is only in its second year of use, is one of the finest schools in this part of the country, seniors have many suggestions which would tend to better school spirit and make the building more "livable." Suggestions which have been offered are . . . "the old spirit which prevailed in the old Senior High" . . . "the honor point system improved" . . . "more school spirit in and outside of school" . . . "ultimation of school spirit in and outside of school" . . . "better care of school property" . . . "elevators for student use" . . . "a program which would make use of all modern facilities in the building" . . . "more dances and assemblies" . . . "transportation to out of town games" . . . "a baseball team from West high represented in the Big Eight" . . . "more interest in the clubs and other organizations so closely connected with the school" . . . "longer lunch hours" . . . "student murals on walls throughout the school to add color to the building" . . . "tennis courts and an athletic field" . . . "an extra door entering the school from the auditorium" . . . "more true spirit and less violence" . . . "flowers planted in front of the school" . . . "mechanically folding bleachers in the gymnasium" . . . "some new records to play during lunch hour" . . . "a different study hall for the juniors" . . . "escalators instead of stairways" . . . "more stairways" . . . "a uniform system of homework in all the classes" . . . "big trees in the front yard and vines on the building" . . . "more social activities" . . . "greater variety of subjects".

In a fine, new school building, with modern facilities for education, it is difficult to choose one feature which is particularly enjoyable, but this year's seniors have answered with a variety of replies . . . "the informal dances" . . . "the public address system" . . . "the new swimming pool" . . . . . "the new machine shops" . . . "the parking lot" . . . "the rifle range" . . . "the parade and rally before the East-West games" . . . "the assemblies" . . . "the Little Theater" . . . "the seating arrangement in the choral room" . . . "the Junior Class play" . . . "the new classes" . . . "the honor assemblies" . . . "the cafeteria" . . . "the combination lockers" . . . "the modern equipment" . . . "the Senior Class play of '41" . . . "the fact that all the rooms have clocks in them" . . . "the spacious and well equipped gym, with its auxiliary gym rooms" . . . "the dances in the gym and cafeteria after games" . . . "the long, light corridors" . . . "finally having a study hall" . . . "the athletics" . . . "the lighting system in the swimming pool" . . . "the ping pong and other sports offered in the auxiliary gyms".

Mr. Kroll, employment director, instructs Dorothy Ball (seated) in filling out employment application blanks as his office helpers, Ann Frisella and Mary Odorski, look on.

The Class

VIRGINIA ELAINE CARLSON

8-5-3, 2, 3, 4; Commercia 3, 4; Publications 3, 4

Ginny has enjoyed her stenography courses — having her first feature in the OWL was very exciting — collects menus — favorite radio program, Henry Aldrich.

WAYNE DONALD CARLSON

Mono 3, 4

Going over the Smoky Mountains has been Wayne's most thrilling experience — hunting and fishing tops in sports with him — would like to live in Clearwater, Florida.

ARISTER CARMICHAEL, JR.

Glee 2, 3; A Cappella Choir 4

"Work hard, play hard, rest easy" is Arister's motto in life—will continue studies at Lincoln University, Missouri—prefers Chicago as the place to live.

DONALD ELMORE CARPENTER

Latin 3, 4; Band , 3, 4; Student Council 4

Don's golden rule for life is "Trust thyself" — favorite sport, swimming — believes band has been beneficial to him — enjoys the fellowship it gives him.

BILLY EDWARD CARTER

A Cappella Choir 3, 4

"Doc" hopes his vocation will be that of telephone lineman — chooses dancing as hobby—favorite sport, bowling — likes study of architecture.

ROSE ANGELA CARUANA

Social Arts 3; Commercia 4

Dogs, tennis, and Christmas rate as Rosie's best liked pet, sport and holiday — dislikes high heels with ankle socks — believes California is place in which she would most enjoy living.

ALPHONSE SAM CASSARO

Football 3, 4

"Fuzzy" plans to enter the University of Illinois after graduation —believes in making as many friends as possible — would like to live in California.

JOSEPHINE ANN CASTELLESE

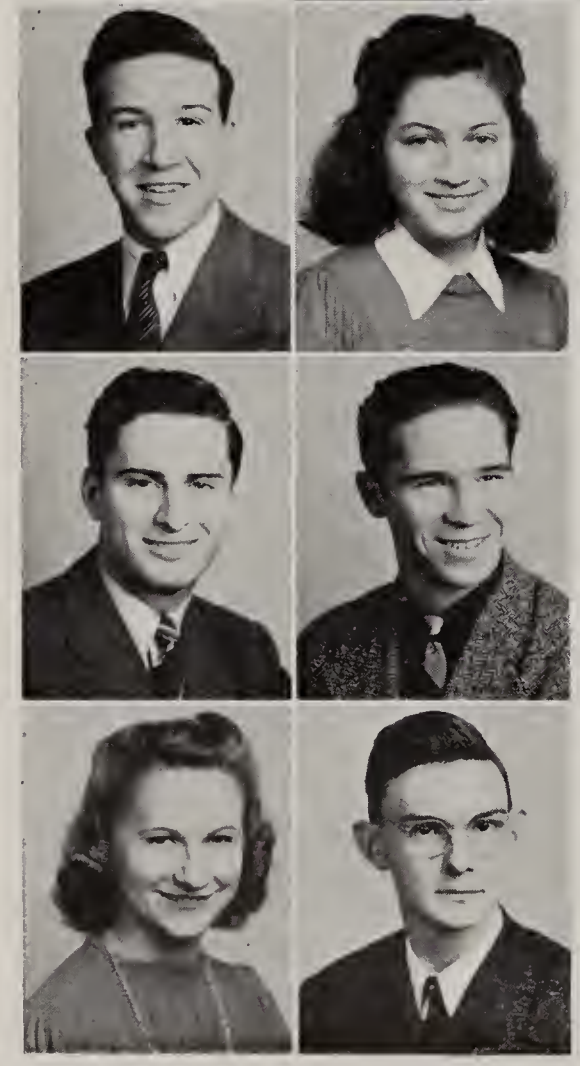
8-5-3, 3, 4; Mono 3; Commercia 3

Her golden rule is, "Make the best of everything you do"—can think of no improvements needed in West High — admires patience in teachers — Kay Kyser stands as tops in music.

SAM CASTREE

Orchestra 2, 3, 4
Home Room President 2

Sam hopes to see the students of West High improve their school spirit — proudest possession is his trumpet — is very content to live in Rockford.



TONY TOM CASTREE

Believes in "let music be your guide" — playing first orchestra solo was most thrilling experience — Benny Goodman and Inkspots are most admired musicians.

CARMELLA CATHERINE CATANESE

8-5-3, 3, 4; Commercia 3, 4

"For Whom The Bells Toll" is Carmella's favorite book—believes conceited people will never make anything of themselves — enjoys horseback riding as favorite sport.

RICHARD FRANCIS CAVE

Dick's proudest possession is an "R" sweater—favorite sport as a participant, football—favorite musical selection, "Piano Concerto."

GAYLORD HAZELTON CHEW

"R" Club 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3

Has met many famous people including Tom Mix, Roy Rogers, Gene Autry, and Harry Carry — derived much enjoyment from football and track — enjoyed "Gone With the Wind" as book and movie.

JOANN JOSEPHINE CHOJNICKI

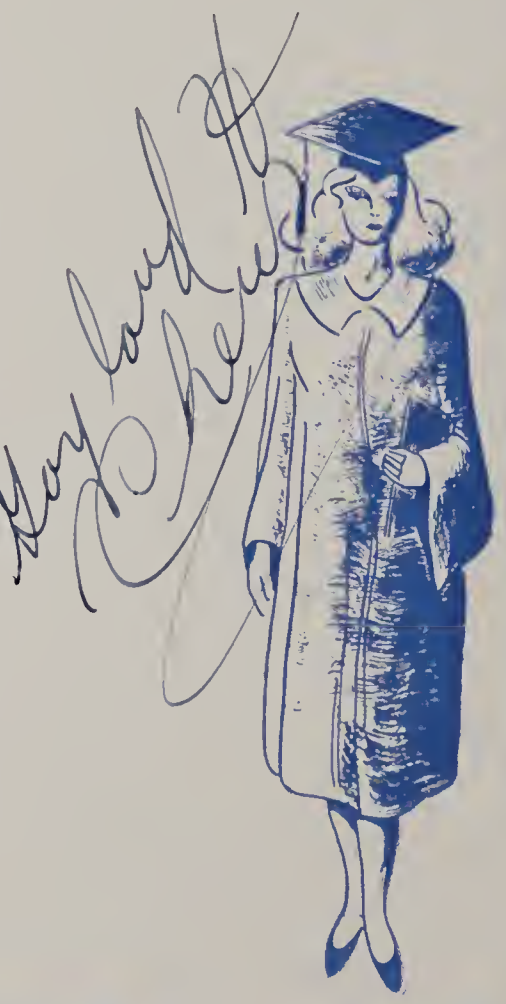
Social Arts 4; Commercia 4

Josephine considers H. V. Kaltenborn the best radio announcer—ranking orchestra, Dick Jurgens — would like to live in California—favorite sports, ice skating and swimming.

JOHN HERMAN CLARK

Owl 3, 4

John would like to change places with some member of the RAF — favorite musical selection "Shubert's Serenade" —collects pins, trinkets, and toy dogs.



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VINCENT AUGUST COFFARO

Student Council 3

Vincent believes in getting maximum amount out of everything he does — enjoys school library — will attend University of Illinois to study journalism.

VIVIAN LOUISE CONKLIN

A potential nurse, Viv intends to enter John Seily Hospital in Galveston — likes to hear Bing Crosby croon —collects pictures of friends as hobby.

BILL ALTMAN COOK

"Trail Makers of the Middle Border" is Bill's favorite book— would like to live in Oregon State — admires a sense of humor in a teacher.

BARBARA ELIZABETH CORBRIDGE

Commercia 4; Curtain 4; Tri-Y Treasurer 4

Beth has the unusual hobby of collecting soap and hotel menus —believes student cooperation and activities could be improved —Harry Vonzell, favorite radio announcer.

ORAL MARCELLA COXHEAD

Commercia 4

Oral enjoys arts of all kinds—plans to become a commercial artist — her aim "Make the world a better place because you lived in it."

COLLEEN FRANCES CRANDALL

Commercia 4

Colleen derived much benefit from Commercia Club — enjoys collecting jewelry—after graduation hopes to become a secretary — enjoys basketball more than any other sport.

PATRICIA ANN CRANDALL

Commercia 3; Student Council 2

Pat believes in the saying "Eat, drink, and be merry for tomorrow we die"—hobby, collecting match books — roller skates in her spare time.

WILLIAM DALE CROTZER

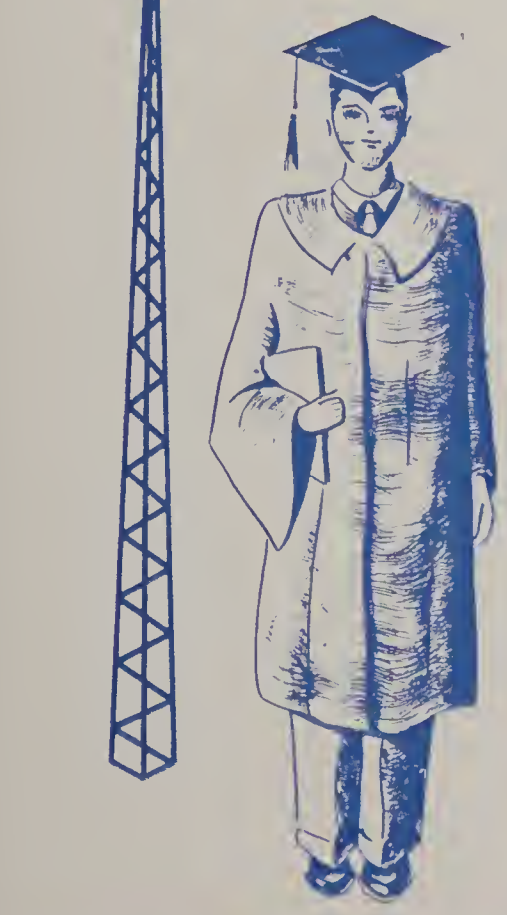
Football 3

Bill admires impartiality in teachers—collects stamps as a hobby—believes that national defense is America's greatest problem — favorite sportscaster is Bill Stern.

CATHERINE ANN CURRY

Social Arts Vice-President 3, 4

Kay has enjoyed the new swimming pool very much — plans to become a nurse — collects dolls as hobby — "live and let live" her motto.



JANE ALMA CURTIS

8-5-3, 4; Commercia 4; Latin 4

Jane plans to continue education at Saint Mary's College — enjoys game of tennis— admires people who have no enemies and are friendly to everyone.

LOUISE ANTOINETTE DAL NOGARE

GAA 2, 3, 4; Commercia 4; Home Room Treasurer 3

In future years Jerry would like to find a tennis court at West — pet peeve is anklets with high heeled shoes —admires a teacher's impartiality.

MAXINE MARGARET DAYTON

Commercia 4

Maxine plans to become a stenographer— would like to meet President Roosevelt — has enjoyed history classes — tennis and badminton are favorite sports.

DOLORES CATHERINE DE GRANDIS

Commercia 2

"First comes work and then play" is Dolores' motto — collects stamps as a hobby — plans to become a stenographer — likes to play tennis.

JOHN CONSTANTINE DEMAKEAS

8-5-3, 3; Football 2; Home Room Secretary 4

John plans to attend Black Mountain College after graduation— has enjoyed the home room period each day —likes Fred Waring's orchestra — favorite sport, basketball.

CARL WILLIAM DEMARS

Basketball 3; Football 4; Home Room Vice-Preident 4

Carl collects small knives from the various cities he visits—favorite sport is basketball — admires a person who is honest, unselfish, and friendly.

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RUTH LOUISE DENT

Forum 2; ABL 4; Home Room Secretary 3

School has taught Ruth the value of study —collects records as a hobby — has enjoyed literature courses — would like to meet the Duchess of Windsor.

SHIRLEY ROSEMARY DETTMEN

Collecting odd nicknacks is Shirley's hobby—would like to enter the field of dressmaking — likes Benny Goodman's orchestra —has enjoyed the features of the auditorium.

DONALD CARL DIBLER

Considers radio and electrical equipment most prized possession —will further education at a technical school or shop — favorite musical composition "Piano Concerto in B Flat Minor."

MARILYN LUELLA DONALDSON

Pan American 4; Tri-Y 2, 3; 8-5-3, 3

"Doc" believes "You're young only once" — hobby, taking pictures — favorite sport, bowling—chooses the library as feature she has enjoyed most in high school.

HELEN JOYCE DOOLITTLE

Helen wants to have nurse's training — golden rule, "To help others when in need" — enjoys collecting wooden shoes — believes school has taught her to be more independent.

BETTY LOU DOYLE

Pan American 2; Home Room Secretary 2; President 3

A red coral necklace is Betty's proudest possession — likes any of Lizt's rhapsodies —believes defense is the most important problem in America today.

WARREN EUGENE DUCLON

Latin 4; Orchestra Treasurer 4

"Duke' enjoys physics and ROTC—hobby is just "having fun" —plans to attend University of Illinois—favorite sports, football and ice skating.

JOY LUCILLE ECKLUND

Commercia 3

The Golden Rule is the "guiding light" of Joy's life—to be a successful stenographer is her aim—pet peeve, people who complain.

JACK WILLIAM ELLIOTT

Jack admires the characteristic of broad mindness in a teacher — pet peeve, giggling girls — would like to live in Los Angeles.

MAXINE PHYLLIS ELLIS

Curtain 3, 4; Glee 4

Max likes to study plants and animals — thinks Glenn Miller tops — Bob Hope too — names swimming favorite sport — wants to be a nurse.

EILEEN GERTRUDE ELSTON

GAA 2, 3, 4; Home Room Secretary 2, 3

"Toady" was thrilled when she received a medal in swimming—wants to meet Lionel Barrymore—enjoys listening to "A Date with Judy."

JOYCE ELIZABETH ERB

8-5-3, 3; Tri-Y 3; Commercia 4

Joyce's plans include business college — thrilled by East-West football games — believes "Don't take life too seriously; you never get out of it alive."

MARIAN ELIZABETH ESKELSON

Social Arts 4; Mono 4

"Mimi" believes that school has best taught her how to concentrate —listens to Lux Radio Theater — plays table tennis — hobby is collecting perfume bottles.

EDWARD JOHN FALGOUT

Track 2, 3, 4; Forum 4; Hi-Y 4

Ed hopes to enter the University of Illinois—wants to be an engineer—likes tennis—believes athletics is most beneficial school organization.

MARILYN ELIZABETH FAUL

Seco 2; Commercia 4

Basketball and the swimming pool appeal to Betty—"If your face is toward the sun, shadows fall behind" is her motto—plans a nursing career.

WAYNE LA VERNE FEHLER

Home Room Secretary 3; Treasurer 4

Wayne would like to change places with a North Woods' forest ranger — collects pennies as a hobby — is very proud to be an American.

BETTY TODD FERGUSON

Tri-Y 2

More school spirit is what Betty would like to see in West high — enjoys Del Courtney's orchestra — would like to live in California.

LOIS LORRAINE FIBROW

"Broncho-buster" Lois says her most thrilling experience was riding a pig — would like to live in Texas — Thanksgiving Day is favorite holiday.

Typical of all high school students, West's seniors collect everything from phonograph records to spoons, spend their spare time taking care of pets or relaxing with all kinds of sports, and are apt to cherish an old broken down "jalopy" above all their other possessions. However sensible or nonsensical they be, here are our seniors' quirks and habits . . . "eating and sleeping" . . . "playing golf" . . . "dancing" . . . "collecting miniatures" . . . "reading" . . . "collecting poems" . . . "going to movies" . . . "collecting glassware" . . . "sewing" . . . "building model airplanes" . . . "swimming" . . . "collecting rocks" . . . "knitting" . . . "participating in dramatics" . . . "playing the drums" . . . "hiking" . . . "collecting glass dogs" . . . "clipping sports pictures" . . . "collecting autographs" . . . "collecting tropical fish" . . . "doing shorthand" . . . "playing baseball" . . . "saving dance programs" . . . "collecting clippings and letters" . . . "keeping a list of popular song hits" . . . "corresponding with boys and girls of other countries". Other souvenirs and momentos which they keep are . . . "stamps" . . . "pins" . . . "wooden shoes" . . . "jewelry" . . . "small cream pitchers and coffee pots" . . . "pink elephants" . . . " 'Please Be Quiet' signs" . . . "key chains" . . . "perfume bottles" . . . "phone numbers" . . . "orchestra leaders' signatures" . . . "coin collections" . . . "small knives from various cities" . . . "Indian relics" . . . "tie pins" . . . "china dolls". Among their other hobbies are . . . "photography" . . . "creative writing" . . . "puppetry and amateur staging" . . . "operating a short wave radio" . . . "tanning furs" . . . "constructing model railroads" . . . "handicraft."

Seniors' tastes in music range from classical and semi-classical selections to modern "swing", but whatever the type they choose, it is evident that they appreciate music. Among their favorites are "You and I" . . . Beethoven's "Moonlight Sonata" . . . Liszt's "Liebestraum" . . . Tschaikowsky's "Piano Concerto in B Flat Minor" . . . "Star Dust" . . . . . Debussy's "Afternoon of a Faun" . . . "Apple Blossom Time" . . . "Elmer's Tune" . . . "All that Meat and No Potatoes" . . . "I Don't Want to Set the World on Fire" . . . "Tea for Two" . . . "Basin Street Boogie Woogie" . . . "Anchor's Aweigh" . . . "Shepherd's Serenade" . . . Debussy's "Clair de Lune" or "Moonlight" . . . "All Through the Night" . . . "Tschaikowsky's "Fourth Symphony" "Begin the Beguine" . . . "Yes Indeed" . . . "Blue Champagne" . . . "Yours" . . . "When Day Is Done" . . . "Skater's Waltz" . . . "Because" . . . "Old Man River" . . . "Moonlight Serenade" . . . "Time Was" "Rose Marie" . . . "Aurora" . . . Listz's "Second Hungarian Rhapsody" . . . "Anvil Chorus" . . .

James Hancock records information on cards as Barbara Holly is being measured for a cap and gown by Virginia Morgan, who is measuring her height.

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JANET ANNE FITZGERALD

8-5-3, 3; Social Arts 4; Mono 4

Janet's hobby is reading—names library as feature enjoyed in school—listens to Lux Radio Theater—would like to meet Orson Welles.

DARRELL MAYNARD FORBES

Swimming 3; "R" Club 3, 4

Darrell would like very much to change places with a member of the Air Corps — his prondest possession is a rifle — favorite song "Tonight We Love."

PHYLLIS FORS

Owl 3, 4

Phyllis plans to attend Business College —pet peeve is pumps with anklets—favorite sport is basketball — best liked book "Gone With the Wind."

MARGERY ANNE FRANKLIN

Curtain Treasurer 3, Secretary 4; Glee 4; 8-5-3, 4

According to Margy "A winner never quits, and a quitter never wins" — wants to see more school dances and assemblies — her trip to New York's World's Fair most memorable.

YVONNE JEANNE FRANSEN

8-5-3, 2, 3; Tri-Y 2, 3; Pan American 4

"Dunk" would be thrilled to meet Elsa Maxwell — intends to study at the University of Wisconsin — enjoys listening to the Fitch Band Wagon.

ANN THERESE FRISELLA

Commercia 3, 4

Ann intends to enter business college and be a stenographer — East-West games most exciting event in high school — favorite orchestra is Horace Heidt's.

WILLIAM CHARLES FURSETH

Golf 3, 4; Football 4; Home Room Treasurer 4

"Frog" rates Bob Elson as tops in sports announcing — plans to enter the field of printing—Charlie McCarthy ranks as favorite radio program.

SHIRLEY JEANNETTE GARDINER

ABL 3, 4; Euclidian Circle 4; Social Arts President 3, 4

Shirl lists as her most thrilling experience entering West High the first time—would like to live in Baraboo, Wisconsin — will continue education at Beloit.

ROGER GARST

Debate 2, 3, 4; Euclidian Circle 4; National Honor Society 3, 4

Roger would like to live in a suburb of New York or Chicago — golden rule of life, "work hard" — enjoys tennis and various board games.

ANGELINA ROSEMARIE GAZIANO

ABL 3, 4; Annual 3, 4; 8-5-3, 3, 4

Angelina would like to see more interest in clubs and other school organizations — favorite commentator is H. V. Kaltenborn — likes Christmas holiday best of all.

MARYELYN FRANCES GHENT

Social Arts 3, 4

Considers patience most admirable quality in teachers — Maryelyn's rule of life "Make new friends but keep the old"—enjoys Pat O'Brien on screen and Horace Heidt on radio.

WILLIAM NEAL GIBLER

Track 2, 3, 4; Football 4; Hi-Y 4

After attending the University of Illinois, Bill hopes to become a commercial salesman—believes Don Wilson top ranking radio announcer — enjoys football and track.

DOROTHY AELIENE GILBERTSON

Pearl Buck's writings make up "Dot's" reading materials—enjoys horse back riding more than any other sport—rates first airplane ride as most thrilling experience.

MABLE GORDON GILLETT

8-5-3, 4; Student Council 3; Tri-Y Treasurer 2

After graduation, Mable plans to attend New York School of Interior Decorating — would like to meet Christopher Morley — has enjoyed the new swimming pool.

WILMER BILL GLENNY

Band 2, 3, President 4; A Cappella 4; Swimming 3, 4

Bill likes Christmas best because people are usually friendlier and happier — most thrilling experience catching a barracnda off Catalina Island — favorite sport, swimming.

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WARREN SMITH GLENNY

Art Club 4; Vice President 2; Forum 3, 4

Warren's most prized possession is a set of oil paints — admires people who are frank but tactful — would change places with any millionaire.

DARL RICHARD GOLDEN

Radio Club 2; Secretary-Treasurer 2

Darl would like to attend the RCA institute — a portable radio is his most prized possession — someday hopes to live in Northern Wisconsin.

EUGENE VERNE GOLDY

"Live and learn" declares Gene—wants to have drum majorettes at West High — most thrilling experience, a New York vacation — plans to become an accountant.

RAYMOND CHRIS GRACEFFA

His American citizenship is Ray's proudest possession — plans to go to business college after graduation— would like to change places with Michigan's Tom Harmon.

RUTH GRADY

Clothing is "Gertie's" best liked subject — plans to become a seamstress — wishes to meet Gene Autry — Wayne King, her favorite entertainment.

MARY FRANCES GRAVELLE

Mary was thrilled by the first East West football game — would like to meet the Duchess of Windsor—plans to go to business school.

VIRGINIA MAE GRAVES

Ginger has enjoyed her history classes—as they taught her much about America — her hobby is collecting pictures and letters — would like to meet Gene Autry.

LADORA FRANCES GREAR

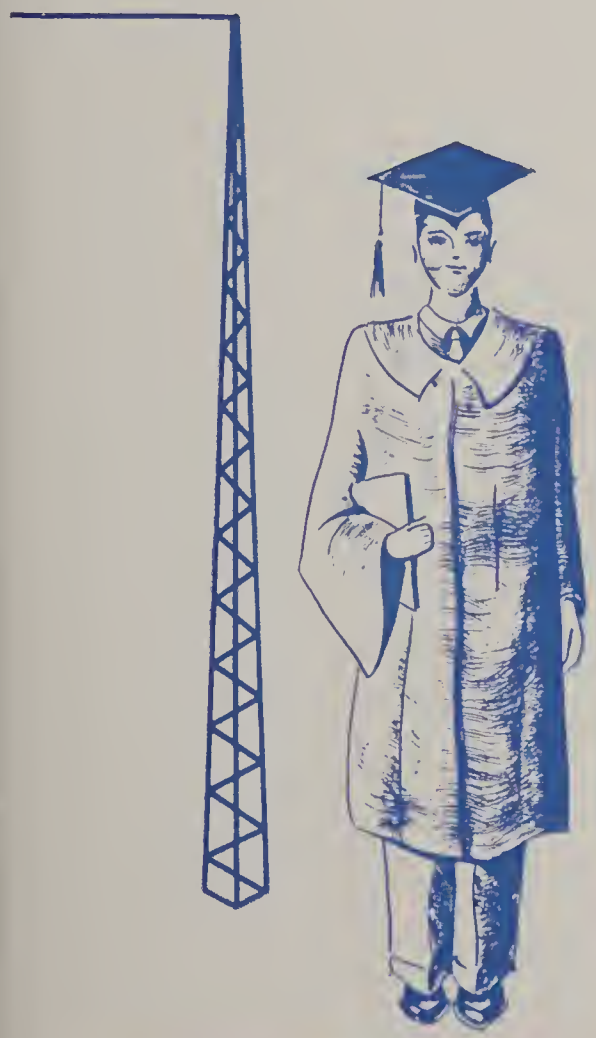
Curtain Club 3, 4; 8-5-3, 3, 4; Art Club 2, 3

Being chosen an ROTC sponsor rates as her most exciting event —would like to meet President Roosevelt — spends leisure time on photography and badminton.

THOMAS WELDON GREEN

ROTC 2, 3, Lieutenant 4; Hi-Y 4

Tom wishes students would revive democratic spirit of Central High—hobby, collecting clippings, and souvenirs of social events —spends much time with movie camera.



JEAN LEE GREGORY

A Cappella Choir 4

Jean collects records as a hobby—hopes to enter University of Illinois — would like to meet the actor Stirling Hayden—enjoys bowling.

JOSEPH JOHN GRIGALOUSKI

President Roosevelt is the person whom Joe would like most to meet — recreations are hunting, fishing, and swimming—will study mechanical engineering at University of Illinois.

HOWARD VERYL GRONLUND

"R" Club 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4

High school athletics taught Howard "how to take it" — plans to make present hobby, sports, life work — most exciting event, first high school football game.

ARLINE D GRUNER

Tri-Y 2, 4; 8-5-3, 4; Curtain 4; Social Arts 3, 4; Pan American 2, 3, 4; Student Council 3, 4

Arline has enjoyed the stage facilities of the Little Theater — hobby is creative writing — likes to hike — favorite radio program is Information Please.

NICK RICHARD GUARINO

Publications 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Quill and Scroll 4

Will power and determination are Nick's key word in life—considers Durwood Kirby outstanding announcer —admires person modest in dress, speech, and habits.

ANN MARGUERITE GULOTTA

Owl 4; French 3, 4; Home Room Secretary 2, 3 Treasurer 4

French Club taught Anne to speak the language more fluently — likes archery — would like to meet Mrs. Roosevelt—enjoys sewing and letter writing.

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PHYLLIS JOAN GULOTTA

Becoming a senior has been "Phil's" biggest thrill in high school—likes ice-skating—wishes she might have met Abraham Lincoln—plans to become a stenographer.

BERYL LA LENE GUSTAFSON

A Cappella 3, 4; Home Room Vice-President 3; Glee 2; President 3, 4

Beryl wishes to live on New England Coast—"Piano Concerto in B Flat", favorite musical selection — golden rule, "Be a man if not a hero."

CARL ROGER GUSTAFSON

Pan American President 4; Library Board 3, 4; Home Room Vice-President 2, 3

Gussie misses the inconveniences of Central high — most thrilling event was attending National Pan-American League Convention — his favorite sport is bowling.

KATHRYN DOLORES HAFEY

Commercia 3, 4; 8-5-3 2, 3, 4; Tri-Y 2, 3

Admires teachers with informal attitude — pet peeve, people who eat pop-corn in theaters — recommends Bronte's "Wuthering Heights" as interesting book.

CHARLES STEVENS HALLEY

Chuck believes in more students taking part in school activities — admires a person with a sense of humor — derives much enjoyment from his car.

ALLEN LEE HAMER

Plans to further education at Aviation school — enjoyed book "Through the Air to Alaska"—prefers Tommy Dorsey's music—derived much good from ROTC.

IRIS MARIE HAMMER

Iris's golden rule is, "Be honest and sweet for a day and forever"—likes Bing Crosby—bobby, collecting match books and pictures of acquaintances.

PEGGY ARLINE HAMMER

Peggy's golden rule for life is "to do the best I can"—bobby is sewing—wishes to meet Henry Fonda—plans to be a nurse after graduation.

JAMES MARIAN HANCOCK

Publications 3, 4; Euclidean 3, 4; National Athletic Scholarship Society 3, 4

Jim admires a teacher's ability to present lessons in an interesting manner—presentation of tennis letter was biggest thrill—favorite orchestra, Wayne King.

VERNETTE JANE HANGARTNER

Tri-Y 2, 3; French 3, 4; 8-5-3, 4

Vernette would never "put off 'till tomorrow what you can do today"—places Kentucky as ideal place in which to live and work.

CAROL MAY HARTLEY

A Cappella 3, 4; Social Arts 4

School has taught Carol how to assume responsibility—has enjoyed the swimming pool in the new building — would like to meet Cornelia Otis Skinner.

RUTHANN HEATH

Student Council 3, 4; Mono 3, 4; Home Room Treasurer 2

Ruthann chooses to live in Africa—admires a person able to meet every situation — dislikes an intolerant person—enjoys basketball.

DOROTHY MAE HEINS

Mono Klub 3, 4; Pan-American 2, 3, 4

"Get the best out of life" is Dot's golden rule of life — favorite sports, swimming and tennis — proudest possessions are a dog and a bicycle.

DOROTHY ANN HIBBITS

National Honor Society 3, 4; Tri-Y Treasurer 3; Home Room Secretary 3, President 4

Being selected member of All State chorus was Dot's most thrilling experience — is a sincere admirer of understanding in teachers—would enjoy living in Hawaii.

NEAL ARTHUR HILDEBRAND

Home Room President 4

His freedom is Neal's proudest possession — admires a sense of humor in his teachers—believes that increased defense production is necessary.

FRANCIS WARREN HOERNECKE

Band 2, 3, 4

Francis classes airplane rides as thrilling events—admires life of Theordore Roosevelt—hopes to become apprentice after graduation — Bob Elson, favorite announcer.

ROBERT VINCENT HOGG

Euclidean Vice-President 4; 8-5-3 3, President 4; National Honor Society 3, 4

"Piggy's" favorite sport is golf—plans to enter field of chemistry—wishes to meet Winston Churchill — "Be honest with yourself and others" is his philosophy.

BETTY DOCIA HOLDER

Betty would like to enter nurse's training — enjoys listening to the Quiz Kids—would like to meet President Roosevelt—favorite orchestra is Guy Lombardo's.

To be a "student" one must keep up with current affairs and events of his community and the world. Radio enables him to do this, and West high's seniors, as students, have their favorite commentators, announcers, and sportcasters. The commentators which they consider best are Walter Winchell, H. V. Kaltenborn, Julian Bentley, Richard Eaton, Boake Carter, Clifton Utely, Fulton Lewis, Jr., Lowell Thomas, Raymond Gram Swing. As announcers they choose Don Wilson, Pierre Andre, Ben Grauer, Gabriel Heatter, Harlow Wilcox, Harry Von Zell, Ford Bond, Bill Traum, Ken Carpenter, Quin Ryan. Their favorite sportscasters are Bob Elson, Grantland Rice, Hal Totten, Tom Manning, Clem McCarthy, Tod Hunter, and Ted Healey.

Although many seniors replied, "no one" to the question "With whom would you like to change places?" adding for a reason, "I'm happy as I am," several of them did answer with the following names . . . President Franklin D. Roosevelt, Albert Einstein, "a gym teacher", Edgar Hoover, "a millionaire sportsman," Betty Grable, Errol Flynn, "my father," Robert Taylor, Joe Louis, "my cousin," "any member of the R.A.F.", Orson Welles, Bette Davis, Dinah Shore, Henry Morgenthau, "a millionaire, for a week or two", Frank Leahy, coach, Stanley Hack, the president's wife, Joe Gordon, of the Yankees, "an army officer", Louise Rainer, Tom Harmon, Lana Turner, "any successful journalist",

In reply to the question, "What famous person would you like to meet?" however, there were many answers, both living personalities and persons of the past. They included Joseph Stalin, Dennis Morgan, Lionel Barrymore, Emily Post, Bob Hope, Mrs. Roosevelt, William Cullen Bryant, Adolf Hitler, Virgil Fox, a concert organist; Robert Hutchins, president of Chicago university, Charles Lindbergh, Lily Pons, Admiral Richard Byrd, Queen Elizabeth of England, Bing Crosby, Henry Ford, Wendell Wilkie, Errol Flynn, Will Rogers, President Franklin D. Roosevelt, Hedy Lamarr, Mickey Rooney, Herbert Hoover, Cordell Hull, Kay Kyser, Harold Ickes, Winston Churchill, Gene Tunney, Dorothy Thompson, Gene Autrey, H. G. Wells, Elizabeth Hawes, dress designer, Bette Davis, George Arliss, "because of his great acting ability", Johnny Weismuller, Christopher Morley, Katherine Cornell, Joe Di Maggio, Stirling Hayden, Ted Williams, Helen Keller, General John G. Pershing, George Frazier, music critic, Sonja Henie, Oscar Levant, Tommy Harmon, Irving Berlin, Orson Welles, Pope Pius XII, and Cornelia Otis Skinner.

Checking layouts is Elisabeth Barkey, Associate Editor, as Richard Shattuck, Annual Editor, and Frank Rowley, Business Manager, check advertising income, Chad Brooks, Owl Editor, types a story.

The Class

NORMAN HOLLENBECK

8-5-3, 3, 4; Annual 3, 4

Norman boping to be a commercial artist plans to attend Chicago Art Institute — believes that one should live for today — enjoys ice-skating and swimming.

GEORGE MAURICE HOLLOWAY

Band 2, 3, 4; Home Room Treasurer 2, 4; Golf 4

"Plates" agrees that everyone should take advantage of all opportunities when offered—respects instructor who will listen to students' viewpoint — most thrilling moments, playing in East-West golf match.

BARBARA JEAN HOLLY

ABL 3, 4; Euclidian Secretary 3; ROTC Sponsor 3

Barb admires H. V. Kaltenborn — plans to be a teacher—believes her ideas won't work unless she does — enjoys listening to Guy Lombardo's radio program.

VIVIAN HOLMES

Tri-Y 2; Home Room Secretary 2; Vice President 3

Margaret Mitchell's "Gone With the Wind" appeals to Viv as greatest book — first in sports, tennis — in rhythmic line, Dick Jurgens music — likes home room system in school.

RUTH EVELYN HOUGH

Tri-Y 4

Ruth hopes to be a stenographer — enjoys the music during lunch hour—favorite orchestra, Horace Heidt's—hobby, making a scrapbook of the present war.

MARIEDITH HOWARD

Tri-Y 2, 4; Commercial 4

"Jane Eyre" is Mariedith's favorite book—likes gay spirit of Christmas holidays —would like to live in Mexico — admires friendliness in teachers.

SHIRLEY EVELYN HOWARD

Glee 4

Shirley has enjoyed most vocal music courses in high school —believes that every cloud has a silver lining — thinks the public address system outstanding feature of school.

DOROTHY JANE HOWELL

A Cappella Choir 3; Commercia 4; 8-5-3, 4

Dot believes if you smile, the world will smile with you—plans to teach home economics — "Fibber McGee and Molly" is favorite radio program.

ELAINE ESTHER HUMMEL

Tri-Y Treasurer 2; Home Room President 2, Treasurer 3; Athletic Council 3

Elaine aspires to a nursing career — lists Christmas as favorite holiday — admires no partiality policy in teachers — Cocker Spaniel is her favorite pet — considers swimming as most enjoyable sport.

GLORIA LOUISE HUTCHINS

Tri-Y 2, 3, 4; Home Room Secretary 3; Treasurer 4

U. S. History is Hutchy's favorite subject — hobby, collecting books — hopes to meet Robert Hutchins, Chicago University president — would like to be a stenographer.

STANTON ALLEN HYER

Music Appreciation 2, 3; President 4; Glee 2, 3; Secretary 4; Curtain 3, 4

"Major's" golden rule is "Live for today alone, Tomorow will take care of itself"— plans on going to Fordham—has enjoyed Honorary Musical Society.

GLENDA MARGARET INGRAM

Maggie admires the understanding qualities all teachers seem to have — enjoys listening to Raymond Gram Swing's news broadcasts — believes in "treating others as you would be treated."

ROBERT PASCAL INGRASSIA

Pan American 2, 3, 4; "R" Club 3, 4; Football Manager 3

Bob hopes to see grass on school campus year—H. V. Kaltenborn and Pat Flanigan are radio favorites — will further schooling at Univerity of Illinois.

JACK ELBERT INHOFF

Swimming 3, 4; "R" Club 3, 4; Hi-Y 4

Jack's biggest thrill was winning second place in the Mid-Western AAU Swimming meet—favorite subjects are physics and chemistry — enjoys Fibber McGee's radio program.

ROBERT GARRETT JANSEN

Orchestra 3, 4; Euclidian Circle 4

Bob hopes to see grass on school campus next year—H. V. Kaltenborn and Pat Flanigan are radio favorites —will further schooling at University of Illinois.

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NAOMI JEFFERSON

GAA 2; Library Board 2

Learning to drive a car has been Naomi's most thrilling experience — favorite book, Pearl Buck's "The Good Earth" — pet peeves are high heels and anklets.

SHIRLEY DORETTE JOHNS

Commercia 4; Home Room Treasurer 4

Shirley would like very much to meet Emily Post—has enjoyed shorthand and typing — likes hiking and roller skating — listens to Horace Heidt's orchestra.

JAMES EDWARD JOHNSON

Home Room President 2, 3, 4; Student Council 3; 8-5-3, 3

Jim plans to attend the University of Illinois—pet peeve, conceited people — favorite sports, archery and golf — hobby, collecting letter openers.

JERRY LU JOHNSON

Publications 3, 4; Curtain 3; President 4; Tri-Y President 4

Appearing in junior play was Jerry's most thrilling moment — likes English and chemistry — collects spoons as hobby—favorite announcer is Harlow Wilcox.

MARJORIE RUTH JOHNSON

Glee 2

Marjorie believes "If at first you don't succeed, try, try again" — plans a nursing career —sports is her hobby— likes the new swimming pool.

PHYLLIS ANNE JOHNSON

Commercia 4

Phyl appreciates West's well eqnipped science rooms — believes school has helped her to associate with all types of people— collects records in spare time.

ROGER JOHNSON

Roger has enjoyed his friends in the new high school—his favorite orchestra is Clyde McCoy's — has sports, especially track, as hobby.

RICHARD LEROY JOHNSTON

ROTC Lieutenant 4; Football 4; Home Room President 3, 4

Dick admires impartiality in a teacher—a Benny Goodman fan— likes all holidays because he can "sit back and take it easy."

RAMONA MAXINE JUHLIN

GAA 3, 4; Tri-Y 2

"Monie" believes GAA taught her to be a good sport — plans to be a stenographer — favorite orchestra, Griff Williams—would like to meet Colonel Lindbergh.

RAY FRANCIS JUHLIN

Track 3, 4; Football 4

Ray admires a teacher with an interesting personality — enjoys playing football and basketball — admires the sportscaster, Bill Stern — listens to Art Kassel's orchestra.

JO ANN KASPER

Orchestra 2, 3, 4; Student Council 2; 8-5-3, 3, 4

Jo believes in using the Golden Rule as her philosophy of life — plans to study at Beloit College — hopes some day to live in Maine.

RAY ARTHUR KASPER

Band 2, 3, 4; Vice President 4; Drum Major 3

Ray names hunting and fishing his favorite sports—coniders attempt to train a wild horse most exciting event — dislikes people who make a pretense of friendship.

WARREN WILLIAM KEEGAN

"Bud" would like to live in California — favorite sport, bowling —was thrilled when he rode on the "Zephyr" —is a Tommy Dorsey fan.

BARBARA JANE KELLEY

Tri-Y 4; 8-5-3, 4; Orchestra 3; Librarian 4

Barb's Golden Rule of life, "Live and let live"—favorite book is "The Yearling" by Rawlings—would like a wider choice of food in the cafeteria.

BETTY JEANNE KELLEY

8-5-3, 3, 4; Curtain 3, 4; Pan American 3, 4

"Betts" finds it wise not to criticize people —listens to Dick Jergen's music — enjoys horseback riding—favorite subject is Latin.

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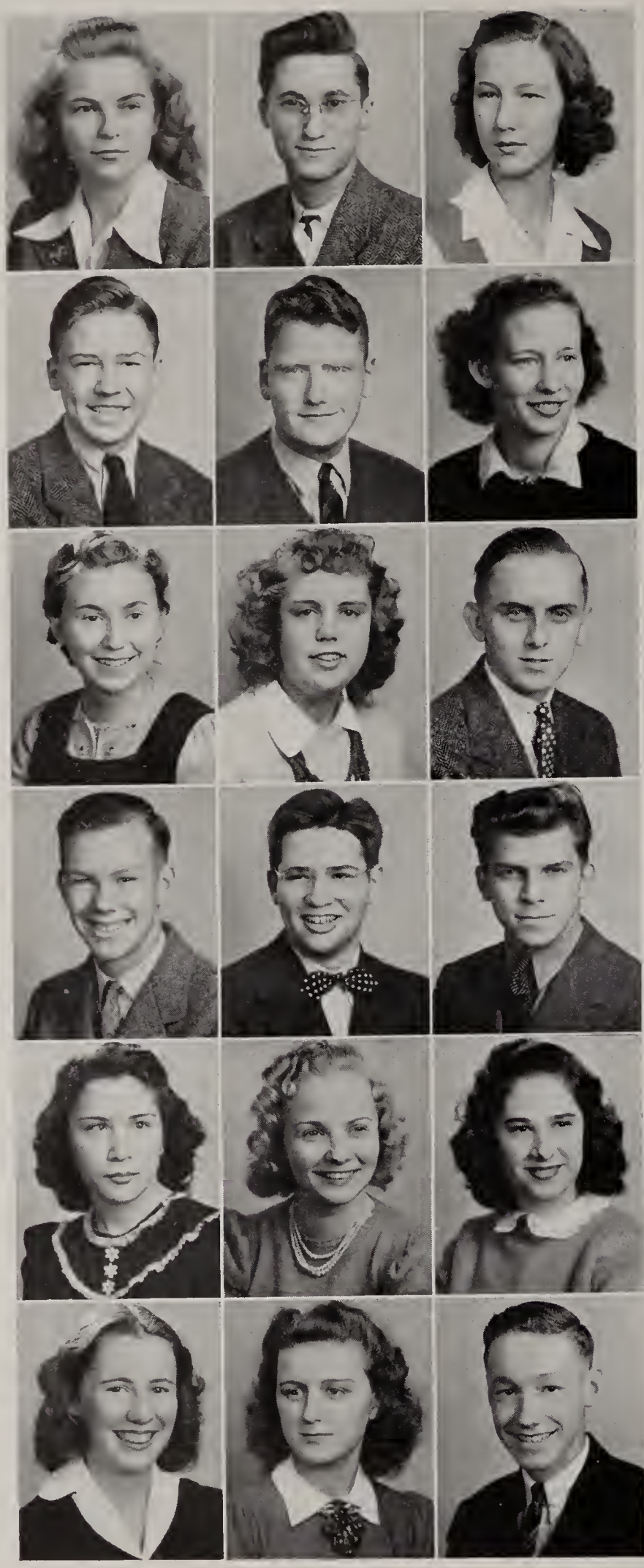

MARY LOU KERLIN

Tri-Y 2, 3; Curtain Club 3; Commercia 4

"Lulu" enjoyed reading "Ordeal" by Nevil Shute—loves Easter because it's the beginning of spring — plays badminton — admires straightforwardness in a teacher.

FRANCIS SCOTT KEY

Francis believes "You're never too old to learn"—Quin Ryan, Walter Winchell, and Bob Elson rate among "Muggs'" radio favorites — most thrilling event, a Cubs game.

BERNADINE CECILIA KISTING

Tri-Y 2; Commercia 3, 4; 8-5-3, 4

Bernie plans to enter business college—favorite orchestra is Lawrence Welk's—has had opportunity to meet Bob Hope, Jane Withers, Ronald Regan.

JOHN ELMO KLESLI

John derived the most benefit from ROTC because it prepared him for future training — enjoys playing table tennis—is a Bob Hope's program fan.

GEORGE LITCH KNIGHT

Honorary Musical Society 2, 3; Mono 2, 3; Home Room Secretary 2, 3

George plans to enter Notre Dame University after graduation — has enjoyed Latin Club—likes Fred Waring's orchestra—favorite subject has been German.

MARGARET CORINNE KREGER

GAA 2, 3, 4

"Sis" hopes to see an improvement in cheering at football games — pet peeve, waiting for people who are invariably late —uncertain about future life.

SYLVIA VIVIAN KREUTER

ABL 4; Home Room Vice President 2

"Syl" admires sincerity in a teacher — would like a different study hall for Juniors —a Horace Heidt fan —favorite sport is ice skating.

MARGARET ANN KREICHBAUM

A Cappella 3, 4; Social Arts 2, 3, 4; Tri-Y 3, 4

"Krick" would like to have elevators in West High — plans being a nurse — golden rule of life, "Smile and the world smiles with you."

KARL FREDRICK KRUG

Karl prefers Christmas to other holidays — "Pride and Prejudice" is first ranking book — ice and roller skating, favorite sports —wants to live near an ocean.

CLARENCE ELLIOTT LACE

Commercia Club 4; Student Ticket Manager 4

"Clary's" thrilling moment was making an eagle during a golf game — Orrin Tucker is favorite orchestra —plans to attend business college — likes New York.

GERARD LAFOND

Student Council 3, Treasurer 4

Jerry collects key chains—would change places with Tyrone Power—enjoys "Piano Concerto in B Flat Minor"—wants a uniform system of homework.

ALBERT LA GAISSE

Albert would like to live in the state of California — enjoys the "reverence and blissful quietude" of Christmas — favorite book is "Gone With the Wind."

MARY LOU LAROSA

Glee Club 3, 4; 8-5-3, 3, 4; Social Arts 3

Mary Lou considers fairness as a teacher's most valuable trait — will study at Vogue School of Designing and Dressmaking —received award from Governor Horner.

DOLORES IONA LATHOM

Pan American 2, 3

"Dolly" would like to change places with Mrs. Roosevelt—wishes there were more stairways in school — admires a person with a winning personality.

JOANN MARIE LATINO

Owl 3; 8-5-3, 2; Social Arts 2, 3

"Jay" is interested in nursing — believes "variety is the spice of life"—hobby, drawing cartoons — enjoys the music in the lunchroom at noon.

ROBERTA OLIVE LAWRENCE

Glee Club 3, 4; A Cappella 3, 4; 8-5-3, 3

"Bobby" places inflation as America's most important current problem — respects broad-minded, good-natured teachers —"The Lost Chord" rates best in music — chooses San Francisco as future home.

HELEN LAUCIUS

8-5-3, 3; Owl 3, 4; ABL 4

"Lenie" admires sparkling personalities — her rule of life is, "build castles in the air, then provide them with firm foundations" — pet peeve, short haircuts.

DELBERT LEROY LAYNG

Hi-Y, 4

"Deb" admires a trustworthy and loyal friend above anyone else — would like to change places with Stan Hack — hobby, collecting glass horses.

The question "What type of person do you admire?" brought definite answers from the members of the senior class whose ideas of an admirable person covered a wide variety of qualities . . . "one who is reliable", "an ambitious person", "one with personality", and "one who is friendly" are some of the replies. Others are the "the strong, silent type", a broad minded person", "one with a good imagination," "a person who has ambition to advance at every opportunity" . . . "an adventuresome person" . . . "one who is sincere and dependable" . . . one who is quiet and refined" . . . "one who can adapt himself to any kind of surroundings" . . . "a person who is true and straightforward" . . . "one who is a leader but is not conceited" . . . "one who is able to see the bright side of life" . . . "the athletic type" . . . "one who is well-liked" . . . "a person who is frank, yet tactful" . . . "one who has a vivid, interesting personality and who is understanding" . . . "a person with initiative" . . . "a democratic person" . . . "a fun-loving person, one who is always full of pep and vitality" . . . "one who is modest,

Faculty members, likewise, have high standards set for them by students who admire them for the fine qualities they possess. Among them are "patience" . . . "confidence" . . . "broad-mindedness" . . . "fairness" . . . "unselfishness" . . . "a good disposition" . . . "impartiality" . . . "good sportsmanship" . . . "originality" . . . "sense of humor" . . . "good teaching ability" . . . "the ability to make her subject interesting" . . . "magnetism" . . . "friendliness" . . . "a great interest in her subject" . . . "ability to see the student's viewpoint" . . . "personality" . . . "being an interesting speaker" . . . "the ability to understand students" . . . "kind heartedness" . . . "the ability to make pupils work" . . . "tolerance" "one who gives her pupils little homework" . . . "ability to stay young."

"What subject have you most enjoyed in high school?" was another question asked of members of this year's graduating class, and included in their answers are most of the subjects on West high school's curriculum . . . "zoology" . . . "physics" . . . "chemistry" . . . "shorthand" . . . "history" . . . "sociology" . . . "commercial law" . . . "Spanish" . . . "Latin" . . . "swimming" . . . "typing" . . . "English" . . . "bookkeeping" . . . "orchestra" . . . "R.O.T.C." . . . "architectural drawing" . . . "mathematics" . . . "auto shop" . . . "machine shop" . . . "art" . . . "speech" . . . "government" . . . "German" . . . "clothing" . . . "boys' social dancing" . . . "foods" . . . "home economics" . . . "music" . . . "French" . . . "music appreciation" . . . "literature."

The girls nominated for the D.A.R. trip, (left to right) Mary Odorski, Jacqueline Arnold, finalist, Joan and Barbara Ralston, are congratulated by Mrs. W. H. Jennings, D.A.R. representative.

"Off The

The seniors whose pictures appear on these pages polled highest in a service ballot voted on by juniors, seniors, and faculty members. Since the activities and services of these leaders are far too many and varied to relate, the staff has chosen to picture them in lighter and in some cases unrelated instances. * * * Richard Shattuck (at upper left) coaches Bill Trefz in a game of chess, honored pastime of ancient and obscure origin. ***Both Richard McGinnis and Vernie Lindstrom have taken great interest in the ROTC and are shown at far left as they disassembled a rifle.* * * Comfortably seated in an easy chair, Barbara Ralston (lower left) reads one of her currently favorite books.***At upper right Elisabeth Barkey and Jacqueline Arnold were photogrphed as they did their stint of knitting for the armed forces.***Joan Ralston sketches at far right. Jo has studied art in high school but pursues this hobby outside of class as well.***Gordon Logan, intensely interested in football, maps out a new play in the picture at far right.***Socially-minded Peggy Bartling chats by telephone with one of her many friends (right).

Record"

The Class

HAROLD FRANKLIN LEATHERBY

Pan American 3; Hi-Y 4

Harold admires the way in which a teacher cooperates with the students — enjoys football as a spectator — likes to participate in track work.

ROBERT VERNE LEIBFORTH

Mono Klub 4

Bob derives a great deal of benefit from ROTC because "it teaches boys to be men" — his hobby is stamp collecting—favorite announcer, Harry Von Zell.

PHYLLIS ANN LEWIS

Phyllis has enjoyed greatly the music during lunch hour—hobby, collecting birthday and Christmas cards—has liked typing courses in high school very much.

MAURICE ALBERT LIGHTHART

"Morey" would like to live in Colorado—dislikes people who change their minds—prondest possession, his car—considers national defense America's most important problem.

CARLETON LINDBERG

Watcgubg, a stream a mile below the Mile High Drive, is among Carleton's most thrilling memories — enjoys hearing Horace Heidt's orchestra — favorite sport, swimming.

CONRAD MILTON LINDQUIST

Football 3; Pan American 2; Treasurer 4

Milton admires quiet, refined people —enjoys football and basketball — favorite musical selection is "Moonlight Serenade" —believes one should take life easy.

HARRY FRANKLIN LINDROTH

ROTC Lieutenant 4; Hi-Y 4; Basketball-Track Manager 3, 4; Home Room Secretary 3, 4

"Whitey's" proudest possession is his ROTC cap—admires a teacher with a pleasing personality—would like to change places with Joe Gordon—enjoys playing baseball.

NANCY ANN LINDSTROM

8-5-3, 2, 3, 4; ABL 4; Home Room Secretary 3, 4

To attend business college and study stenography are "Teddy's" future plans — considers Don Wilson and H. V. Kaltenborn outstanding in radio—pet peeve, grumpy people.

VERNIE GLEN LINDSTROM

Golf 3; Class President 3; Vice President 4; National Honor Society Vice President 4

Vernie would like to go to West Point—prondest possession, ROTC citizenship awards—favorite song, "Time Was" — would like to trade places with an army pilot.

BETTY LOUISE LINK

Pan American 2; Mono 4

"Dutch" would be thrilled to change places with Bette Davis —wants to live in Hawaii—enjoys listening to Beethovens "Moonlight Sonata."

BETTY JANE LITTLE

Jane plans to enter the nursing after gradnation—favorite sport, baseball and basketball—will further education at Rockford Hospital.

GORDON ARTHUR LOGAN

Football 2, 3, 4; Rifle Team 2, 3, 4; Vice President 3; Orchestra 2; Vice President 3; President 4

"Daddy" collects records, also listens to Glenn Miller's orchestra—sticks to philosophy "you're only young once" — plans to attend University of Wisconsin after gradnation.

MARJORIE LOIS LUNDBERG

Lundy enjoys listening to the Quiz Kids and Kay Kyser—hopes to enter the nursing field — would like to meet Robert Frost, the poet.

ROBERT CHARLES LUNDEEN

Robert has enjoyed very much his zoology classes — likes Glenn Miller's orchestra, best —favorite radio program, Kay Kyser's — enjoys playing basketball.

PHYLLIS ROSALIE LUPO

8-5-3, 4; GAA 4; Commercia Vice President 4

Phil's most thrilling moment was attending the 1941 Junior Prom — believes that school has taught her to be independent — favorite sport, bicycle riding.

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THOMAS JOHN McCARTHY

Pan American 2; 8-5-3, 3; Student Council 3

Mac plans to attend Beloit College—favorite announcer is Bob Elson — would like to see organized baseball at West High — likes football, basketball, and swimming.

WILLIE MAE McDANIELS

"Bill" has decided, "Life is what you make it" — pet peeve, wearing anklets with high heels — prefers New York as a place to live.

ROBERT LELAND McDONALD

Home Room Vice-President 4

Mac would like to see baseball teams in Big Eight Conference —favorite orchestra is Fred Waring's — biggest thrill was trip to Canada.

JOAN McEACHRAN

8-5-3, 3, 4; Commercia 4

Joan admires teachers with a sense of humor—likes to asosciate with friendly, considerate people — prefers living in any state but California.

RICHARD EUGENE McGINNIS

Class President 4; ROTC Captain 4; A Cappella 2; President 4

Rifle shooting and hunting are Dick's favorite sports—likes patience and understanding in teachers—would like to live in a pent house in New York City.

DONALD KENNETH McMILLIN

Traveling in Europe has been Don's most thrilling experience — plans to attend Curtis-Wright Institute in California after graduation—favorite sport is swimming.

WILLIAM DONALD McMILLIN

"Mickey's" motto is "Practice makes perfect" — enjoys playing the saxophone in his own orchestra—would like to live in New York City.

EDWARD JAMES MAKULEC

Hi-Y 4; Euclidian Circle 4; Student Council 2

Ed believes in making the most of every opportunity — plans to enter Army Air Corps — physics, football, and reading appeal to him very much.

ELDORA VERONICA MARQUETTE

Latin 3, 4; 8-5-3, 3, 4; Curtain 3, 4

"Frenchy" plans to continue her education at St. Mary's of the Woods College — would like to make her home in a suburb of St. Louis — enjoys watching baseball games.

JOSEPH ALEC MARTELLARO

Al has found the ROTC most beneficial to him—likes to play basketball — being a brain surgeon is his idea of a successful career.

JEAN ANN MARTIN

Tri-Y 2, 3; Social Arts 4

After gradnation, Jean plans to attend a busniess college — favorite popular orchestra, Glenn Miller's — believes school has helped her make many loyal friends.

MELVIN MARTIN

Student Council 2; Home Room Treasurer 3, 4

Mart would suggest fewer zero hours as an improvement in school — collects phonograph records as a hobby — favorite song, "Time Was."

DONALD FREDERICK MARTINSON

ROTC Captain 4; Hi-Y 4; National Honor Society 3, 4

Don finds one must be dependent only on oneself to be successful — enjoys listening to Army Band—would be thrilled to meet General Pershing.

DAVID WILLIAM MEIER

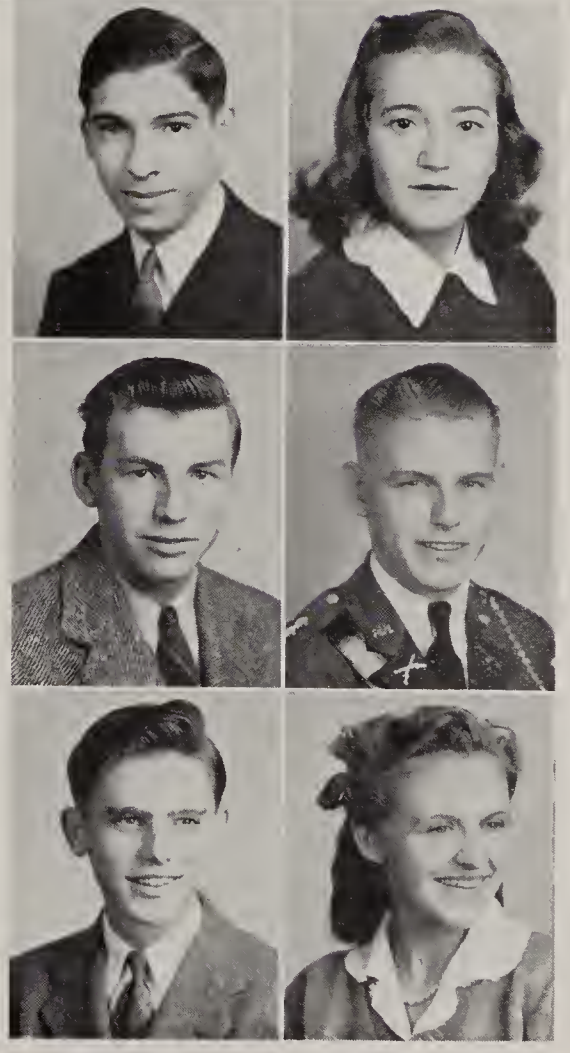
Pan American 2, 4; Secretary 3

After gradnation, David plans to attend a state university and then to go to Pensacola —collects old coins, pennies, and stamps — favorite popular song, "Aurora".

BETTY ANN MILLER

Social Arts 3

To become an air stewardess is Betty's ambition — favorite book is "Wuthering Heights"—likes Christmas holiday best — would like to live in Hawaii.



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GERALDINE MILLER

French 4

Geraldine plans to enter Rockford College — would very much like to meet Irving Berlin — favorite orchestra, Dick Jurgen's — enjoys roller skating.

MALLORY MICHAEL MITCHELL

Swimming 2, 3; Captain 4; "R" Club 2, 3, 4; Pan American 2, 3; Home Room President 3

"Mike" admires honest people who can make quick decisions —plans to attend Beloit College — favorite sportscaster, Bob Elson — best liked song "Deep Purple."

ALMORE KENT MOBERG

"R" Club 3, 4; Class Vice-President 3; National Athletic Scholarship Society 4

Kent enjoys tennis as hobby — would like to meet "Big Bill Tilden" — "Swede" dislikes gaudy jewelry on girls — hopes to live on southern soil.

DOROTHY MAE MOIST

Dot chooses basketball as her favorite sport — Sloppy-Joe sweaters are her pet peeves — Charles Lyons and Bob Elson are favorite radio announcers.

FORREST MOORE

8-5-3, 4

"Have fun when young" Forrie advises —his proudest possession, a Model A Ford —wants to live in northern Wisconsin — enjoys baseball and football games.

VIRGINIA ELOISE MORGAN

ROTC Sponsor 3; A Cappella 3; Glee 2, 4

"Berlin Diary" is Ginny's favorite book —has met Secretary of Interior Ickes — plans to attend University of Wisconsin — does not like people who tease her.

JOAN MARILYN MORTON

8-5-3, 3, 4; French 3, Secretary 4; Commercia 4

Jo plans to become a physical education teacher — will attend University of Illinois —considers 8-5-3 club best as it helped make friends.

JOHN EDWARD MUELLER

8-5-3, 4

Jack's favorite musical composition is "Basin Street Boogie" —admires a clean, intelligent and friendly person — golden rule of life "have fun now".

GEORGE OSBORNE NAGUS

ROTC Lieutenant 4; Home Room Vice-President 2, 3; President 4

"Swede" would enjoy being a soldier of fortune — found history helpful in teaching him about countries — plans to study at University of Texas.

MARION NALI

Commercia Secretary 3

"Skeetz" believes "if you smile, the world smiles with you" — hobby is collecting photographs — considers Don Wilson outstanding radio announcer.

ROBERT JOHN NELSON

Honorary Musical Society 3, 4; 8-5-3, 3; Orchestra Concert Master 4

After attending University of Illinois "Bumps" will take up a dentistry career — being selected a member of All State Orchestra was most thrilling moment — hobby, collecting pennants.

THOMAS VINCENT NEVIN

8-5-3, 4; Mono 2; Hi-Y 2

Tom believes that the things most easily gained usually have the least value — enjoys playing golf — would like to meet Franklin D. Roosevelt.

WILLIAM ALAN NICHOLAS

8-5-3, 4; Stage Crew 3; Home Room President 2

Nick's ambition is to become an accountant —he plans to enter Beloit College — follows the rule "Always be neat" — enjoys Dick Jurgens.

IULA DAISY NORFLEET

GAA, 2, 3

Spends much spare time on sports — ranking first as spectator, tennis, as participant, basketball — considers staying out of war our most important problem of today.

MARIE LEONTINE O'CONNER

Glee 2, 3, 4; Commercia 4; 8-5-3, 4

The first day of high school and becoming a senior have been Marie's most exciting experiences—enjoys English courses in school — enjoys bowling and dancing.

DORIS ROSE OAKLEY

Doris's proudest possessions are her heirlooms — hobby, collecting photographs — enjoys watching exciting games of football —would not want to change places with anyone.

MARY LOUISE ODORSKI

GAA 4; Captain 3; ROTC Sponsor; National Honor Society 3, 4

Mary plans to become a secretary — wants to meet President Roosevelt — likes swimming, and golf — enjoys Del Courtney's orchestra and Lux Radio Theater.

CHARLES AUGUSTUS OLLMAN

Football Manager 4; Commercia Treasurer 3, 4; Home Room Treasurer 2, 3

After attending Beloit College, Bud plans to become a chemist —favorite radio program, "I Love a Mystery" — sports of all kind, his hobby.

Members of West senior high school's graduating class of 1942 are making preparations to take their place in the commercial and industrial life of their community, and with an eye to the future, fifty-eight per cent of the students of the senior class have indicated their plans to continue their education in colleges, universities, technical and special training schools. Among the institutions which they have chosen to enter are Northwestern University, University of Alabama, De Pauw University, University of Michigan, University of Southern California, University of Wisconsin, Louisiana State University, Rockford College, Cornell College, Texas University, Iowa State College, University of Illinois, University of California in Los Angeles, University of Iowa, University of Notre Dame, University of Chicago, Beloit College, University of Minnesota, Armour Institute of Technology, University of North Dakota, Blackburn College, St. Mary's College, Purdue University, University of South Carolina, Columbia University, Northern Illinois State Teachers' College at De Kalb, Stanford University, Smith University, Valparaiso University, University of Indiana, Knox College, Grinnell College, Marquette University, West Point, Curtiss Wright Technical Institute, Brown's business college, Vogue School of Design, Chicago Art Institute, and various technical schools, including comptometer schools, aviation schools, government training schools, and nurses' training schools.

In looking back over three years of high school with its many activities, its contacts with other people of varied ideas and beliefs, and its opportunities for education, seniors of this year find that they have derived many benefits from their years spent in school. "It has given me a broader outlook on life and taught me that there is still more to learn," replies one student, and other answers are "has taught me to work for what I wish to earn," "has shown me how to cooperate better with other people and to be a good citizen," "has made me interested in more things" "has given me a wider scope of learning both in the social and mental aspect," "has enabled me to speak in front of an audience," "has taught me to think things out," "has shown me the value of study," "has made me realize the importance of extra-curricular activities as a supplement to class room work," "has helped me to get along with others," "has taught me discipline, and to obey orders," "has given me common sense," "has taught me to be independent," "has enabled me to express my ideas freely before a group."

Shown conferring in Miss Vincent's office with Mr. James B. Gage, Secretary for New Students of Beloit College, are (left to right) Vernette Hangartner and Marion Swanstrom.

The Class

GALE AUSTIN OLSON

Swimming Manager 3, 4; "R" Club 3, 4; Home Room Secretary 2

"Duke" will further his education at Harrison Commercial Art School of Chicago — admires teacher with a sense of humor — proudest possession, a car.

JOSEPH LONGWELL OLSON

8-5-3, 2, 3, 4; Forum 3, 4; Hi-Y President 4;

Joe once met Frank Buck, the famous explorer — admires an unbiased viewpoint in his teachers — would like to live anywhere along the Pacific coast.

VICTOR DELBERT OLSON

Forum 2, 3, 4; Debate 3, 4; ROTC Lieutenant 4

Vic plans to attend the University of Illinois — favorite is "A Tale of Two Cities"— chosen to broadcast for "American School of the Air."

BURDETTE GLENN OLTHOFF

Swimming Team 4

Burdette's Golden Rule of life is to "get up early in the morning" — "Lost Horizon" is favorite book — admires honesty in a teacher.

DOROTHY SOPHIE OLZANOWSKI

Commercia 4

"Ozzy" plans to go to business college — a Lawrence Welk fan —would like to meet the Duke and Duchess of Windsor — enjoys U. S. History.

HENRY OUTZEN

Hank enjoys the modern gym facilities in high school—wishes to meet President Roosevelt — favorite sport, basketball — is a model airplane enthusiast.

PATRICIA ANN OWENS

Home Room President Treasurer 4; ABL Secretary 4; Commercia 3, Treasurer 4

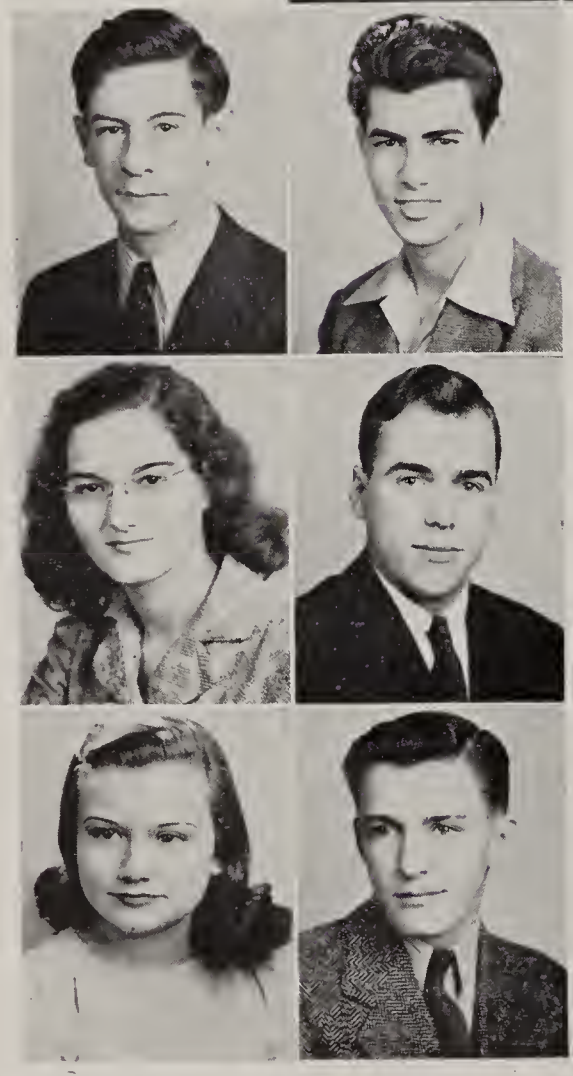
Pat enjoys football as a spectator and swimming as a participant — favorite musical selection "Tales from the Vienna Woods" — admires sincerity in friends.

EMERY FREDRICK PALMER

Emery's favorite book is "Jim Davis"— likes Christmas holiday because there is happiness throughout the world — has met most of country's famous string instrumentalists.

JOYCE AUDREE PARKS

Parks will attend college after graduation — would like to change places with Betty Grable — uses the "golden rule" as her philosophy of life.



BENNY JOHN PARROVECHIO

Benny hopes to live in California some day — names baseball his favorite sport — thinks West High needs more school spirit — enjoys Glenn Miller's orchestra.

CARLO PATERNOSTRO

"Pebo's" favorite radio announcer is Gabriel Heatter — admires humorous, carefree people — believes America's greatest problem is to prepare for a coming depression.

MARAJEAN MAURINE PEDLOW

Publications 3, 4; ROTC Sponsor 4; National Honor Society 3, 4

Ped's hobby is collecting salt and pepper shakers — likes teachers who have a sense of humor — would like to see more school spirit in West High.

LAWRENCE PERRETT

Football 4; Track 4

Laurie would like to see more school spirit in supporting athletics — favorite radio announcer is Ben Grauer — considers the coming depression America's greatest problem.

IRENE ALBERTA PETERSON

Pete dislikes people who chew gum — admires a teacher who shows an interest in her pupils as individuals — favorite musical selection, "You and I".

ROBERT JAMES PHILLIPS

8-5-3, 4; Commercia 4

Bob's hobby is collecting stamps—would like to live in California—pet peeve, silly acting girls — admires athletic type of person.

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JEAN CATHERINE PICKEN

ABL 4; National Honor Society 3, 4

Jean's favorite popular song is "Star Dust" —would like to live in Florida—admires fairness in a teacher—favorite sports, football and golf.

JOHN McNAIR PICKEN

Football 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4; "R" Club Treasurer 4

To be successful, John believes one should have a winning personality and ambition—favorite sport, football — would like to see more school spirit—favorite radio announcer, Bob Elson.

DELLA MARIE PIRAGES

Home Room Secretary 3; 8-5-3, 4; Commercia 3, 4

"Love thy neighbor as thyself" is Della's rule of life—pet peeve, high school girls wearing pigtails — "Piano Concerto" is her favorite musical selection.

JOYCE ANNETTE PLUMMER

Curtain 4; Vice-President 3; Tri-Y 2, 3, 4; 8-5-3, 2, 3, 4

Joy's pet peeve is high school girls wearing pigtails — enjoys a friendly, spontaneous personality—wishes to live in Alaska—favorite sport, swimming.

BERNICE LUCILLE POLLARD

Home Room Vice-President 3, 4; Social Arts 4

Ankle socks with high heeled shoes is Bernice's pet peeve — roller skating heads the list of sports in which she participates — favorite musical selection, "Liebestraum".

VIRGINIA MAY POLSTRA

GAA 3, 4; Commercia 4; Mono 4

"Ginger" plans to enter nurses training—Lawrence Welk is favorite orchestra — considers Christmas best liked holiday—is content to live in the Middle West.

BILL CLIFTON PROTHERO

8-5-3, 3, 4; Curtain 3, 4; Hi-Y 3; Secretary 4

Bill would like more informality in school — during spare time, collects rocks—favorite musical selection, "Ave Maria" — admires an honest person.

BARBARA JEAN RALSTON

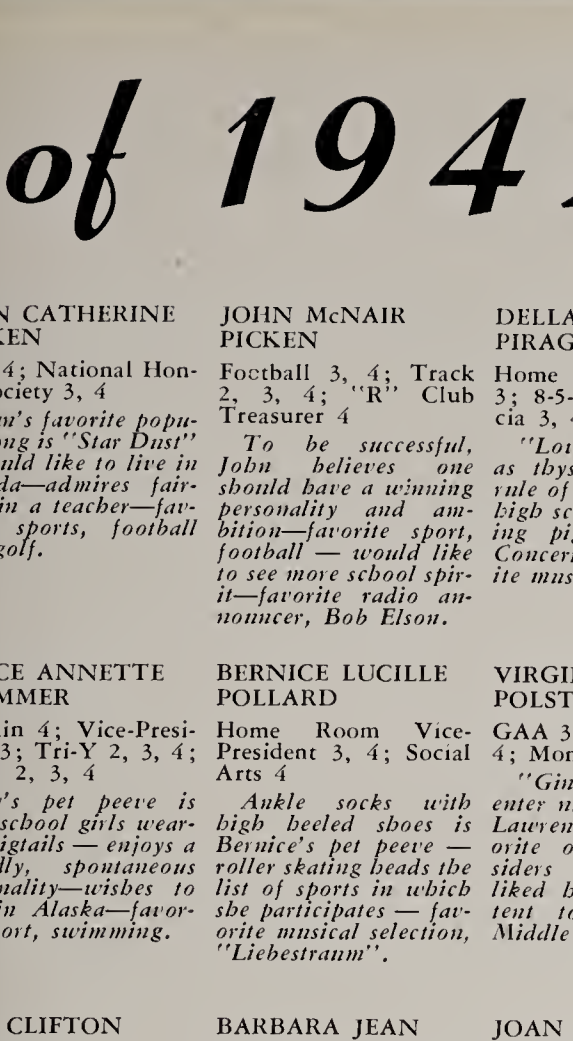
Latin President 3, 4; ABL President 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Annual 4

Barb will study at Smith College—has visions of being a writer —would be thrilled to meet P. G. Wodehouse — has enjoyed history classes.

JOAN ELIZABETH RALSTON

GAA 3, 4; Latin 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4

Jo admires people who are sincere and trustworthy — pet peeve, two-faced people—her favorite musical selection is Liszt's Hungarian Rhapsody—favorite sport, golf.



KATHRYN LOIS RAMBERG

ABL 3, 4; Commercia President 4; Curtain Treasurer 4

Kay's philosophy is, "Don't spend your time getting even with your enemies, get ahead of them"—favorite recreation, swimming — spare time spent collecting rocks and minerals.

STUART EDWARD RASMUSSEN

Football 2, 3, 4; "R" Club 3, 4; A Cappella President 3

Stu suggests an improvement in school spirit—believes in taking life calmly — dislikes show-offs—would not change places with any one.

MARIAN SARAH REIMAN

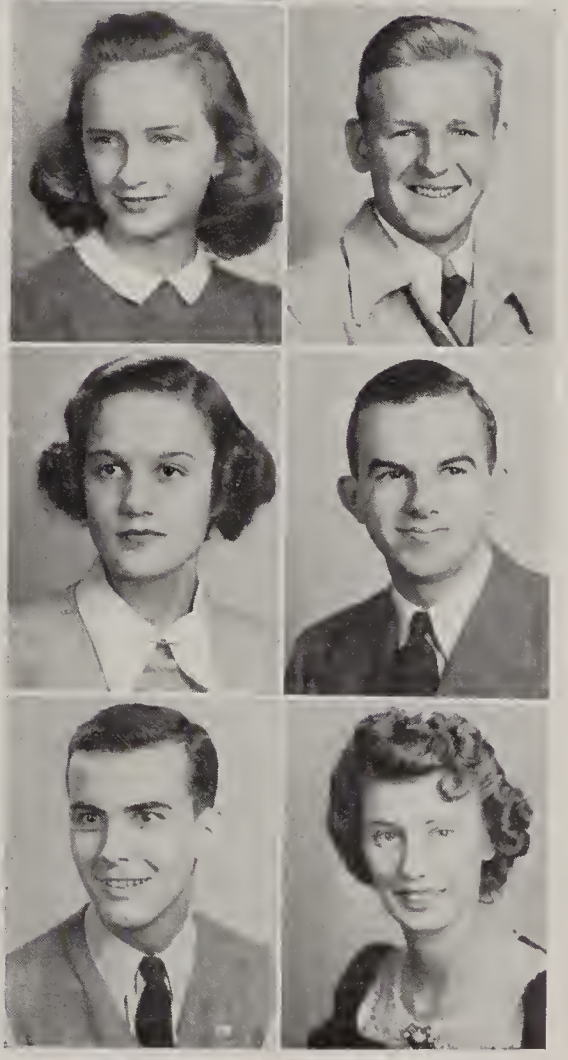
8-5-3, 3, 4; GAA 3, 4; Curtain 3

Marian plans to go to the University of Wisconsin after graduation—favorite sports are golf and swimming —would like to live in Washington, D. C.

ROGER RENO

Forum President 4; Euclidian Circle 4; Treasurer 3; National Honor Society 3, 4;

Roger found his first date an exciting event in his career—hopes to meet Harold Ickes — enjoys listening to the Charlie McCarthy program.



JAMES PETER RETSINAS

8-5-3, 3, 4; Student Council 4; National Honor Society 4

Jim's most thrilling experience was his induction into National Honor Society — has enjoyed the auditorium and little theater—hobby is collecting classical records.

HELEN ALICE REVELL

Glee 4

Helen plans to attend Madison College to study commercial art—has enjoyed features at new auditorium — school has shown her how to "keep smiling."

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GILBERT WAYNE RICKERT

Football 2, 3, 4; "R" Club 3, President 4; Home Room President 4

"Bubbles has derived much pleasure from the many friends he has made — hopes to become a photographer or architect — desires to meet Franklin D. Roosevelt.

MARGURET RIPPLE

Owl 4

"Fudge" plans to become a nurse — would like to live in Denver—has a strange combination of a cat and bird as her pets — favorite orchestra, Meredith Willson's.

BETTY JANE ROGERS

Music Appreciation Secretary 2, 3; A Cappella 2, 3, 4

"Putch" hopes to attend the Eastman school of Music — most exciting event has been in attending proms — Freddy Martin conducts her favorite popular orchestra.

JOAN MARIE ROLANDO

Social Arts 4

Johanna patterns her life after the Golden Rule — enjoyed the parades before the East-West games — will study for a nursing career after graduation.

JOAN LUCILLE ROOT

ABL 4; Tri-Y 2, 3, 4; 8-5-3, 2, 3, 4

Jo's vocation will be office work — ranks Lawrence Welk's as favorite orchestra — hobby, collecting miniature dogs — names Spanish her favorite subject.

ANTHONY GENO ROSSI

Gene's philosophy is "sweep your own front porch before you sweep other's" — admires teacher's ability to set an example for students — duck hunting on Mississippi stands out as thrilling event.

FRANK EDMOND ROWLEY

Publications Circulation Manager 3, Business Manager 4; National Honor Society 3, 4

Frank believes that one gets out of life just what he puts into it — has enjoyed public-address system in school—hobby, stamp-collecting.

LORETTA LOUISE RUEFER

Social Arts 4

Loretta plans to enter nurse's training after graduation—has enjoyed science classes—hobby, collecting pins — favorite radio program is Lux Radio Theater.

GEORGE BOYLE RUMSEY

8-5-3, 2, 3, 4; Forum 4; Latin 3

"Today is yours" George believes — admires a person who can fit himself to any circumstance — favorite musical selection, "Tea For Two"

THOMAS BARRY RYAN

Barry believes there could be an improvement in the school spirit — rule of life, "Live and let live" — favorite song, "Blue Danube Waltz."

JIM BOYLES ST. JOHN

8-5-3, 4; Forum 4; Debate 4

Jim has found Government a most enjoyable subject — plans to study economic law at University of Illinois—would like to meet General Chiang Kai Chek.

JEANNE ANGELA ST. PIERRE

Mono 3; Home Room Vice-President 4

Jeanne believes the financial status of the United States is a very important problem today — favorite popular song is "Stardust" —likes California.

CHERYL VIRGINIA SAEGER

Cheryl's pet peeve is anklets with high heels —would like to live in Florida — plans to further her education at Rockford Hospital — favorite sport, tennis.

CLAUDE LAIRD SALISBURY

Daubers 2, 3; 8-5-3, 3, 4; Glee 3

"Sully" will further his education at the Art Institute of Chicago—would enjoy living in the Catskill Mountains —favorite musical selection, "Moonlight Sonata" by Beethoven.

JUNE COLLEEN SANDERS

Orchestra 2, 3, 4; ABL 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4

"Butch" enjoys listening to H. V. Kaltenborn — favorite musical, "Valse Triste" — hopes to live in Virginia—best-liked sport, basketball.

CAROL ELAINE SARVER

8-5-3, 4; Social Arts 4; Glee 3, 4

"Minnie's" hobby is collecting cream pitchers and coffee pots — would like very much to live in Washington D. C. — favorite winter sport, ice skating.

ROY INGVOLD SATRE

Pan American 3; Euclidian 4

"Skeetz" rates women's hats as his pet peeve — would like to live in South America — hobby, collecting matchbox covers — favorite sport, tennis.

GEORGE LEONARD SCHMAUSS

"Quincy" likes any teacher who gives him an easy test — would happily change places with Clark Gable — favorite radio announcer, Mr. Blue — best liked sport, football.

West high students would scatter to all parts of the United States as well as far away places if they could have their choice of any place in the world to live. Some of the selections which show a great deal of imagination are . . . "Persia" . . . "the state of Washington" . . . "Old Mexico" . . . "Alaska" . . . "Colorado" . . . "Washington, D. C." . . . "Northern Wisconsin" . . . "Rockford" . . . "Florida" . . . "anywhere along the Pacific Ocean" . . . St. Louis, Missouri" . . . Northern Peninsula of Michigan" . . . "Peru or Rio de Janeiro" . . . "Pasedena, California" "Texas" . . . "in a Southern mansion" . . . "India" . . . "near Veronica Lake" . . . "Canada" . . . "Chattanooga, Tennessee" . . . "in a New York penthouse" . . . "in the South" . . . "Long Beach, California" . . . "Maine" . . . "San Antonio, Texas" . . . . . "Chicago" . . . "some small town in Iowa" . . . "in the land of sunshine" . . . "San Diego, California" . . . "Boston, Massachusetts" . . . "Samoa" . . . "the New England coast" . . . "Hollywood" . . . "paradise" . . . "Cheyenne, Wyoming" . . . "Switzerland" . . . "Honolulu" . . . "anyplace but Rockford" . . . "in the Rocky Mountains" . . . "Ohio" . . . "Milwaukee" . . . "England" . . . "Arizona" . . . "Connecticut" . . . "the Catskill Mountains" . . . North Dakota" . . . "down in South America" . . .

As seniors, members of the class '42 have three years filled with all the many and varied activities of school, both at the Central high and at the West high school, to look back on, and from these have chosen what they believe to be the most exciting event of their high school careers. Among the answers are . . . "appearing in the Junior play, 'What A Life' " . . . "the first time I played the new Hammond organ in the auditorium" . . . "playing in the La Salle-Peru football game" . . . "the first day of the fall semester, and being a senior" . . . "just being in school" . . . "receiving my letter" . . . "attending the proms" . . . "becoming an R.O.T.C. sponsor" . . . "swimming for the first time in the new pool" . . . "when I received my first A" . . . "receiving R.O.T.C. appointments" . . . "it hasn't happened yet" . . . "getting out of school November 7" . . . "winning a medal in the swimming meet" . . . being elected to National Honor Society" . . . "attending the East-West game" . . . "being sent down-state as a member of the all-state orchestra" . . . attending the publications banquet" . . . "the first concert I took part in" . . . "the opening night of the junior play" . . . "the football parade and rally before the East-West game" . . . "winning an R O T.C. inspection".

Miss Dentler displays to (left to right) Claude Salisbury, Joyce Plummer, and Evelyn Schwanke the painting presented to her by the Rockford Art Association for obtaining the most new junior members.

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JOYCE VIRGINIA SCHMELING

ABL 3, 4; Honorary Musical Society Secretary 3, President 4;

"Harpie" considers her harp her proudest possession — believes saboteurs the biggest problem we have to contend with today — after graduation will attend Beloit College.

OSCAR WOLFE SCHRICKER

Hi-Y 4; Football 3, 4; Home Room President 4

"Buster" plans to attend the University of Illinois — golden rule is "do the best you can"—enjoys both watching and participating in archery.

EVELYN MARTHA SCHWANKE

GAA 2, 3, 4; Tri-Y 2, 3, 4; Publications 2, 3, 4

"Scorchy" enjoys having a real study hall —reads and knits in her spare time — listens to Freddie Martin —will attend Beloit College.

SALVADOR JOSEPH SCIORTINO

Salvador is sure that "an idle brain is the devil's workshop" — considers Don Wilson an outstanding radio announcer—his proudest possession, a typewriter.

ALFRED BECK SCOTT

Football Manager 4; Home Room Vice-President 3, 4

Scotty plans to attend Armour Institute of Technology — favorite sport is football —pet peeve, a person without a sense of humor.

DICK LLOYD SCOTT

Track 3, 4; Football 3, 4

Scotty thinks the addition of elevators in school would be helpful—admires patience in a teacher — wants to change places with Mickey Rooney.

DOROTHY MARIE SEIRUP

Mono 2; Social Arts 4

"Don't do tomorrow what can be done today" is Dot's philosophy of life—would like very much to have longer lunch hours — hopes to live in Florida.

DELORES IRENE SEITER

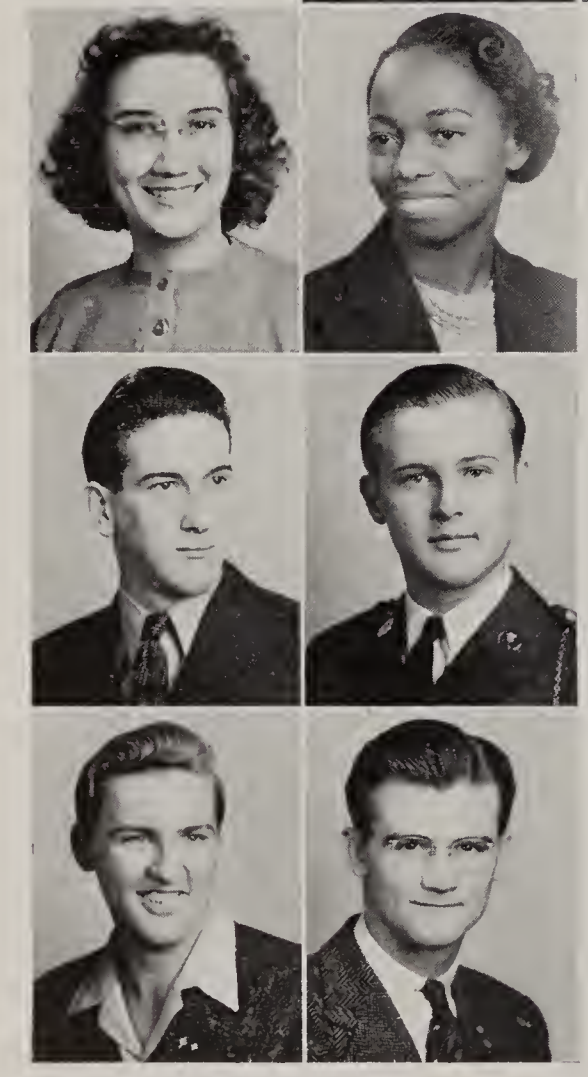
Glee 4; Music Appreciation 2; Home Room Secretary 2

"Dee" admires a teacher who understands her pupils — doesn't want to change places with anyone — desires more social activities with East High — hobby, collecting owls.

RICHARD LYLE SHATTUCK

Publications 3, Annual Editor 4; Curtain 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4

"Bud" enjoys all music, but especially Tschaikowsky's "1812 Overture" — hopes to settle down in the South Sea Islands — his proudest possession, a Quill and Scroll pin.



FLORENCE HIBARGER SHAVER

ABL 3, 4; Commercia 3, 4; National Honor Society 4;

Flossie plans to enter business college — collects souvenirs of dances and parties — admires originality cheerfulness, and a sense of humor in her teachers.

MARY EUNICE SIMRIL

"Moonlight Sonata" ranks high in Mary's favorite songs — admires the suave, intelectual, democratic person — would like to live in Colorado — enjoys swimming and basketball.

DICK SINNETT

Dick likes a person who is not afraid to express himself — would like to live on the Atlantic Coast — favorite sports, boxing and swimming.

WARREN EDWARD SKEELS

Rifle Team 2, 3, 4; Band 2, 3; National Honor Society 3, 4

Warren will enroll in University of Minnesota — admires a sense of humor in teachers—is proud of his 1933 Dodge—likes sincerity in people.

EDWARD JOSEPH SKRIDLA

Mono 3, 4; Glee 3, 4

"Duke" admires teachers who have pity — favorite sport, football—would like to live in the South — "Up From Slavery", his favorite book.

RAYMOND HOWARD SLOCUM

Ray believes "honesty is the best policy"—his pet peeve, people who show off—proudest possessions are his shotgun and bow and arrows.

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SHALER GORDON SMITH

Band 2, 3, 4; Euclidian Circle 3, Secretary 4; Tennis 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4;

Smitty would like to live on a farm — collects tropical fish and stamps — admires a teacher who can teach in an interesting manner.

JERRY WARREN SMITH

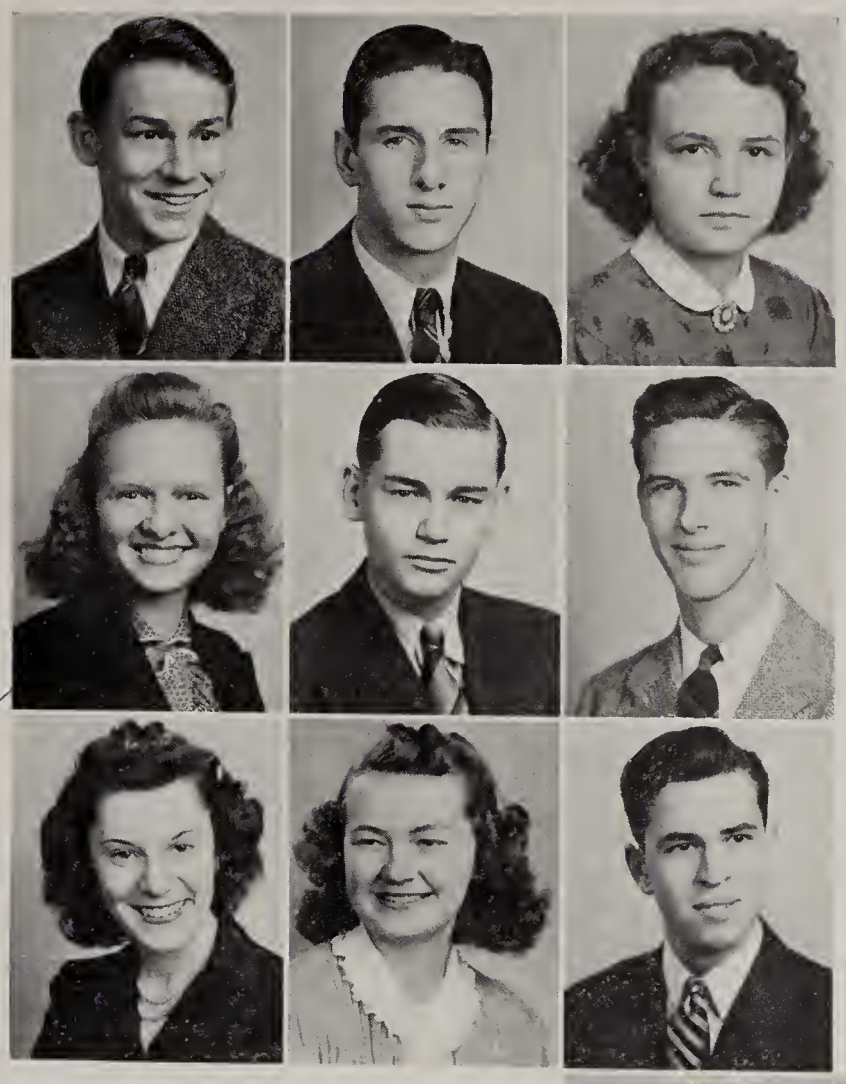
Football 3, 4

Jerry appreciates loudspeakers most of modern school equipment — received much enjoyment from ROTC and football—lists self-confidence as most important accomplishment achieved in high school.

MARIAN OCTAVIA SMITH

Glee 3, 4; Commercia 3, 4

"Toodle's" pet peeve is catty girls — eujoys listening to sportscaster Pat Flanagan — would like to live in California — favorite sport, swimming.



VIRGINIA SMITH

Commercia 3

Smitty likes impartiality in instructors — would enjoy being a gym teacher — believes we must maintain our freedom—considers Bible her proudest possession.

WILLIAM SMITH

Bill believes the greatest problem of today is the war — considers car his proudest possession — would like to live in Washington, D. C.

JAMES WATSON SNIVELY

Track Manager 2, 3; Band 2, 3; Drum Major 4; Hi-Y 4

"Judge" believes lunch hour should be lengthened — collects stamps and post cards — owns a cannonball from Battle of Gettysburg—wishes to live in Switzerland.

BETTE JANE SPAFFORD

Spanish 2, 3; Social Arts 3; Home Room Treasurer 3

Spaff enjoyed reading "Gone With the Wind"—her pet peeve, jealous people — plans to continue her education in a hospital to become a nurse.

BETTY LOIS STANLEY

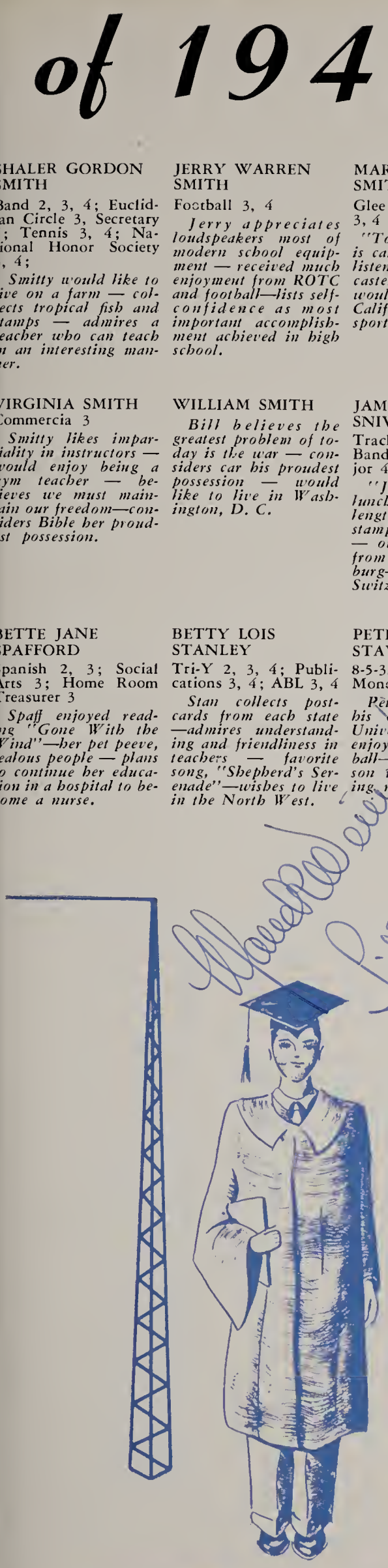
Tri-Y 2, 3, 4; Publications 3, 4; ABL 3, 4

Stan collects postcards from each state —admires understanding and friendliness in teachers — favorite song, "Shepherd's Serenade"—wishes to live in the North West.

PETER SAM STAVROS

8-5-3, 3; Commercia 3; Mono President 4

Pete will continue his education at the University of Illinois—enjoys playing basketball—believes Bob Elson is most outstanding radio announcer.



DOROTHY ERMINE STENECK

Daubers 2; Orchestra 2, 3, 4; ABL 3, 4

Dorothy plans to enter art school after graduation—pet peeve, gum chewing — has met Alec Templeton and Frederick Tauber — Christmas and New Year are her favorite holidays.

CLARA LOU STILES

Orchestra 2, 3; Secretary 4; 8-5-3, 3, 4; Tri-Y 2, 3, 4

"Shorty" admires a person who can get along with others — wishes to live either in Maryland or New Jersey — favorite announcer is Truman Bradley.

GORDON JOHN STRINGER

Band 2, 3, 4; Student Council 4; Hi-Y 4

Gordon plans to become a metalurgical engineer — favorite subject in school physics—best liked orchestra, Glenn Miller's — hobby, building model airplanes.

MARY ELLEN STUTSMAN

A Cappella 3, 4; ABL 3, 4; Curtain 3, 4

Mary Ellen believes the world would be a better place if everyone were always smiling — admires people with agreeable, friendly personality — pet peeve, conceited people — collects post cards as hobby.

MARION LOUISE SWANSTROM

Debate 2, 3, 4; ABL 3, 4; 8-5-3, 2, 3; Walter Hampden 2, 3; Forum 2, 3; Athletic Council 3, 4

"Swanee" won first prize in the sophomore oratorical contest — opening night of the junior play was her most thrilling moment — hobby is collecting jewelry.

JOSEPHINE FRANCES SZUMINSKI

GAA 3, 4; Commercia 4

"Gone With the Wind" is Jo's favorite book — believes in getting the most out of life — admires a sense of humor in teacher.

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JOE ANTHONY TARAMINO

Tommy Dorsey is Joe's favorite orchestra —admires character in a teacher — has a dog for a pet — Walter Winchell is favorite commentator.

AUGUSTINA ROBERTA TASSONI

GAA 2, 3, 4; Captain 4; Student Council 4; Commercia 4

"Let your conscience be your guide" is Augie's golden rule—favorite sports are bowling and swimming — believes improvement could be made in school spirit.

BETTY JANE TAYLOR

Home Room Vice-President 2

Betty believes one should "live and let live" — most enjoyed subject, literature — favorite sport, swimming — plans to attend a modeling school in New York.

ROBERT WATSON TAYLOR

Curtain 2, 3; Home Room President 3; Honorary Musical Society 2, 3, 4

Watt plans to make hobby, metallurgy, his life work — will study at Colorado School of Mines—will then follow a career in South America.

JOHN ANGELO TERRANOVA

Xavier Cugat's orchestra is Terry's favorite — his golden rule of life is "Hear, see, and speak no evil" — has met Ray Noble — enjoys Easter holidays.

DICK ARTHUR THORNE

Orchestra 2, 3, 4; Football 3, 4

To study chemical engineering is "Tiny's" idea about future —admires teachers' ability to present work in interesting ways — believes that "conceit brings defeat."

ELAINE MAY THRALL

Elaine considers Dick Jurgen's orchestra tops —intends to go to business school after graduation — wishes to spend more time on her favorite sport, swimming.

GENEVIEVE MAE TOMENELLIE

GAA 2, 3, 4; French 2, 3, 4; Owl 3, 4

Genevieve once received forty-six letters from Canadian girls— plans to attend Rockford College — likes Christmas holiday because "Everyone is in best spirits."

BILL CARL TREFZ

ROTC Major 4; National Honor Society 3, President 4; Student Council 2, 3, 4; Class Secretary 4

"Do your best and you will never be defeated" is Bill's philosophy — enjoyed especially work on Junior play — aspires to become chemist or engineer.

JOSEPHINE MARIE TURICIANO

GAA 3, 4; Forum 4

Admires humor most in instructors — basketball tops in sports — to further education Joey will go to business school—has hopes of living in India.

ALBERT JOHN URBOM

"Don't put off until tomorrow what you can do today" is "Bud's" rule of life— favorite announcer, Bob Elson — would like to live in Wisconsin.

MAURICE RALPH VAN LANINGHAM

Visiting the Smoky Mountains was a very exciting experience for Van — favorite book is "Over the Top" — would like to live in California.

LOLA CAROLYN VARBLE

Tri-Y 2, 3, 4; 8-5-3, 4; Commercia 4

Lola plans to enter business college — would like to see more school spirit — pet peeve, long finger nails —wants to live in California.

KENNETH MILTON VAUGHN

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Football 2; Pan American 3, 4

Kenny will attend Notre Dame — plans to live in Alaska — proudest possession is golf clubs — wishes there were mechanically folding bleachers in gym.

JOHN WILLIAM VERSTYNEN

Swimming 3, 4; Home Room Vice-President 2

John plans to attend Curtiss Wright Technical School — would readily change places with Mr. Douglas, president of the institute—his proudest possession, a drum set.

LAMBERT CHARLES VERSTYNEN

Swimming 2, 3, 4; "R" Club 3, 4

Bert collects pennants of places he's seen — dislikes gossips —considers the problem of the little businessman important — wants to live in New Hampshire.

PIERRE RAOUL VINET

Hi-Y 4; "R" Club 3, 4

"Pete" believes his military training will be beneficial when he joins the Marines — favorite orchestra is Kay Kyser's — would like to meet Gene Tunney.

RUTH ELIZABETH WADE

Home Room Secretary 3, 4; 8-5-3, 3, 4; Curtain 3, 4

Ruth finds patience a very commendable characteristic in a teacher — considers Walter Winchell outstanding in radio—people who are behind time are her pet peeve.

Realizing that reading is profitable as well as pleasant, seniors read during their out-of-school hours, as well as a regular part of their classroom study, and enjoy a variety of books by many authors. Some of their favorites are . . . "Wuthering Heights" by Emily Bronte . . . "The Good Earth" by Pearl S. Buck . . . "The Marshal" by M. R. Andrews . . . "Gone with the Wind" by Margaret Mitchell . . . "Four Feathers" by A. E. Mason . . . "The Mortal Storm" by Phyllis Bottome . . . "Up From Slavery" by Booker T. Washington . . . "The Octupus" by Frank Norris . . . "Lost Horizon" by James Hilton . . . "Giants in the Earth" by O. E. Rolvaag . . . "The Road Back" by E. M. Remarque . . . "Ordeal" by N. S. Norway . . . "The Citadel" by A. J. Cronin . . . "The Count of Monte Cristo" by Alexander Dumas . . . "Gunga Din" by Rudyard Kipling . . . "Berlin Diary" by William Shirer . . . "A Tale of Two Cities" by Charles Dickens . . . "Jim Davis" by John Masefield . . . "Over the Top" by A. G. Empey . . . "The Yearling" by Margaret Rawlings . . . "Rebecca" by Daphne Du Maurier . . . "Lord Jim" by Joseph Conrad . . . "A Lantern In Her Hand" by Bess Streeter Aldrich . . . "All This, And Heaven Too" by Rachel Field . . . "The House of Seven Gables" by Nathaniel Hawthorne . . . "Pride and Prejudice" by Jane Austen . . . "For Whom the Bells Toll" by Ernest Hemmingway . . . "Beyond Sing the Woods" by Gulranson.

In answer to the question "What is your 'golden rule' of life?" came many answers, interesting and varied, expressing the philosophy which each student attempts to follow in his daily life . . . "Live and let live" . . . "You're never too old to learn" "Life is what you make it" . . . "Make as many friends as possible" . . . "To thine own self be true" . . . "Success will come to all who labor with mind and soul" . . . "You receive from life what you put into it" . . . "Live and learn" . . . "Smile and the world smiles with you, cry and you cry alone" . . . "Live one day at a time and have no regrets" . . . "Make new friends but keep the old" . . . "Get and keep control of yourself" . . . "Love thy neighbor" . . . "Judge yourself before you judge others" . . . "Don't put off until tomorrow what you can do today" . . . "Honesty is the best policy" . . . "Do your best and then don't worry about the result" . . . "Eat, drink and be merry, for tomorrow we may die" . . . "Yesterday is gone; tomorrow may never come; today is ours" . . . "If at first you don't succeed, try, try, again" . . . "Try to make the best better."

Checking in the first two one hundred per cent senior home room dues is Peggy Bartling, Senior class treasurer (seated). Ann Gulotta (left) and Shirley Johns, treasurers of the home rooms, are turning over final receipts.

The Class

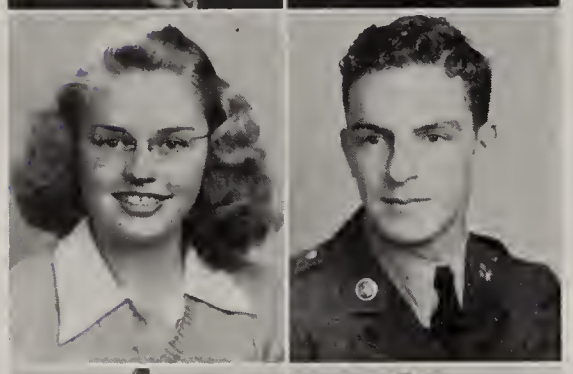
WALLACE JOHN WADE

Wallace believes his education most valuable possession—hopes to lead well balanced life — knows no one with whom he would change places.

JACK PALMER WAFFLE

Football 2, 3; Home Room Secretary 3; Basketball 3

Jack's prescription for life is at present "Eat, sleep, and be merry" — enjoys hockey because of spills and speed — ranks "Sunrise Serenade" as favorite song.



GENEVIEVE MAE WALLIN

GAA 3, 4; Home Room President 2, 3

Gen would like to live in Chicago — thinks we should "Eat, drink, and be merry for tomorrow we may die" — is a swimming enthusiast.

FRANCIS HUGH WARD

8-5-3, 4; Treasurer 3; Home Room President 4

"Toad" believes he has been benefited by his military training — plans advertising career — would like to meet President Roosevelt — enjoys Fred Waring's orchestra.

ARLINE WASILIS

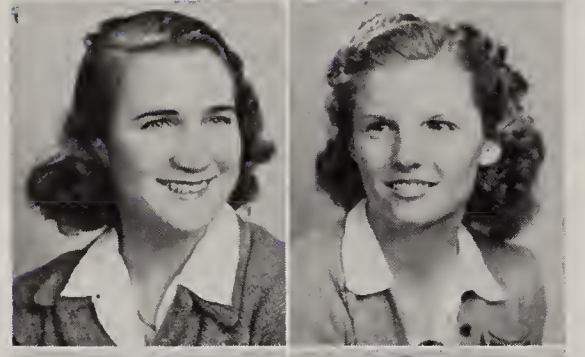
8-5-3, 3, 4; Curtain 3, 4; Walter Hampden 2

Arline won a cup in a baby contest—enjoys golf and horse back riding — dislikes conceited people—considers Don Wilson best radio announcer.

IRENE FRANCES WAZYCHY

Library 3, 4; Mono Klub 3, 4; Music Appreciation 4

Having to repeat something she has said is Irene's pet peeve — collects book matches and miniature dogs — favorite musical composition, "Intermezzo" admires unselfish people.



VIRGINIA MAY WEAVER

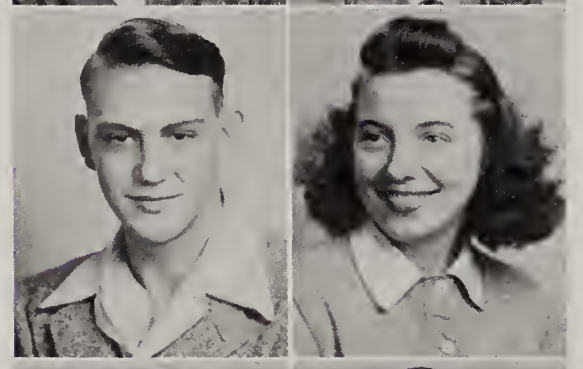
Mono Klub 2, 3; Commercia 3, 4

Virginia's hobby is collecting souvenirs of places visited and people met — hopes for more informal school parties—would like to change places with Betty Grable.

BERNICE ALVA WEBSTER

8-5-3, 3; Commercia 4

Bernice likes to be a spectator at football games — admires a sense of humor in people—considers the defense program America's most important activity today.



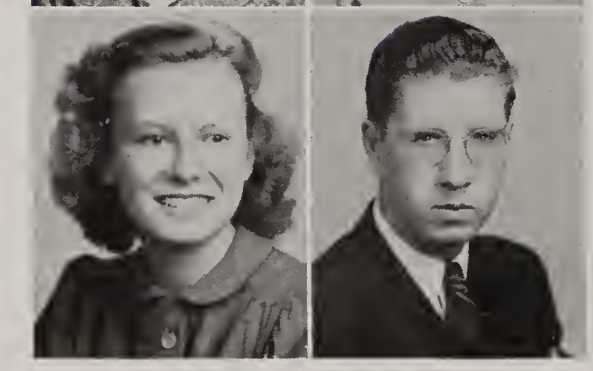
ROBERT WEEKS

Bob enjoyed particularly his first airplane ride — has met Tom Mix and Roy Rogers in person — Sunday drivers draw his sharp criticism.

PHYLLIS MAE WELCH

Commercia 4; Social Arts 4

A watch that belonged to her mother is Phil's proudest possession — admires a person with a pleasing personality — favorite popular song is "Elmer's Tune."



MARILYN WESSELS

Commercia 4

Marilyn has derived a great deal of benefit from her work on the library board — her favorite popular orchestra is Guy Lombardo's—has enjoyed Stenography courses in school.

KARL WRIGHT WHEAT

8-5-3, 3; Home Room Vice-President 4

Karl's favorite subject in high school has been physics — has derived much benefit from ROTC — favorite announcer is Quin Ryan.

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KENNETH VICTOR WHITE

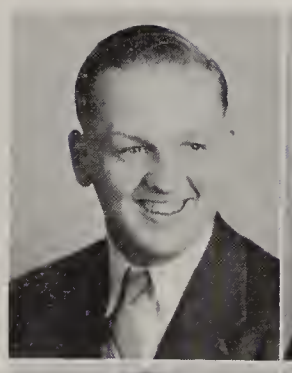
8-5-3, 3, 4; Football 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4

Kennie will go to the University of Iowa — admires a sincere person — wants to live in Milwaukee — considers Clifton Utley best commentator.

MILLICENT WHITE

8-5-3, 3; Commercia 4

Sounding the "s" on the word Illinois is "Jimmy's" pet peeve —proudest possession is a pair of roller shoe skates — favorite musical selection, "Because."



ALICE CAROLYN WHITEHEAD

ABL 3, Vice-President 4; Honorary Musical Society 2

Alice plans to enter a nursing career after studying at John Hopkins Hospital — inconsiderate drivers are pet peeve — favorite sport is tennis.

CHARLES EDWIN WHITMAN

Home Room Treasurer 2

"Live and let live" is Chuck's motto — ping pong is his favorite sport and Tommy Dorsey is favorite orchestra—he has met Wendell Willkie.

MARSHALL WAYNE WILEY

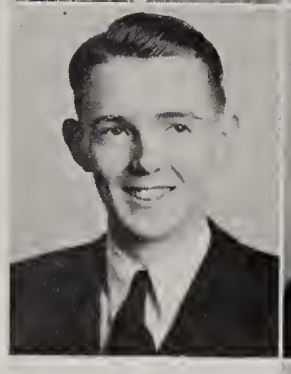
Debate 3, 4; Euclidian Circle 3, President 4; National Honor Society 3, 4

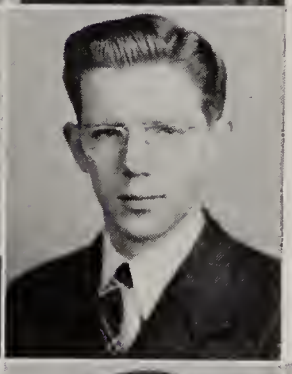
"Biff's" motto "do your best and then not worry about the result" — hopes for a nine-month school year —would change places with Albert Einstein.

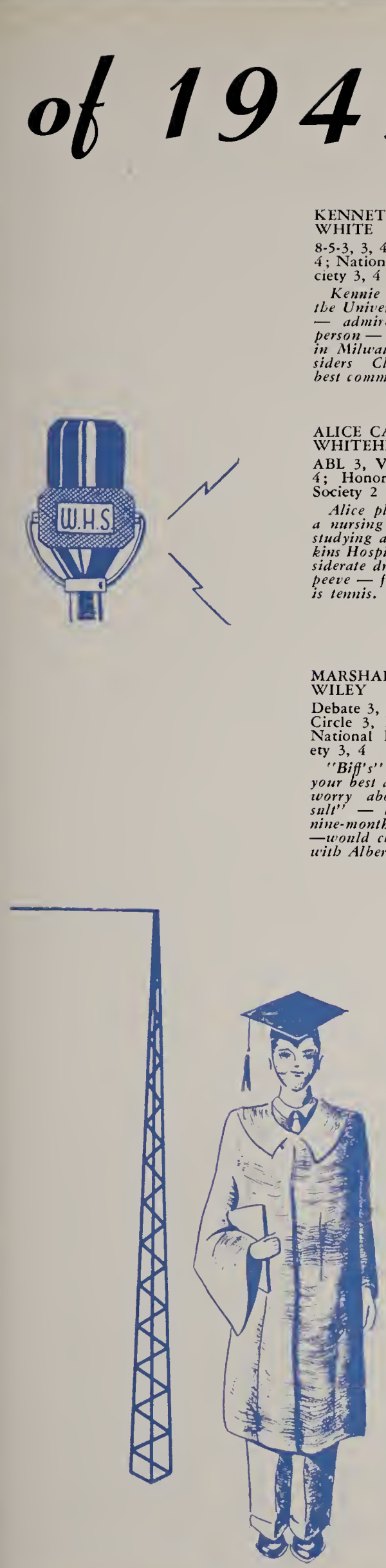
BOB AARON WILLIAMS

Orchestra 2, 4; Treasurer 3, Hi-Y 4; Home Room President 2, 3

Willie will study at the University of Wisconsin—is interested in field of chemistry—enjoys listening to good orchestra, but especially Griff Williams'.







NANCY LEE WILLIAMS

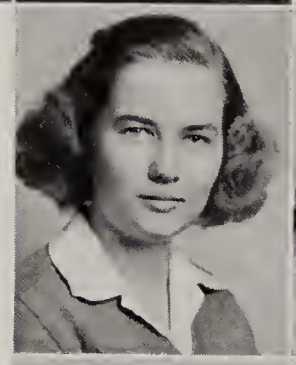
Forum 3, Secretary 4; ABL 3, 4; Orchestra Secretary 3

Nan desires to live in the Rocky Mountains — her proudest possessions, friends — plans to enter Rockford College — admires trait of understanding in teachers.

MARY ALYCE WOLFRAM

8-5-3, 3, 4; Pan American 3, 4; Tri-Y 3, 4

"Pat" believes "tomorrow is another day" — would like buses furnished for out-of-town games — enjoys singing of Dinah Shore — will attend University of Wisconsin.



ROBERT CHAMPLIN WOODRUFF

"To make everyone happy" is Woodie's life ideal — lists Boake Carter and Ted Husing as radio favorites — America's future security is all important, he thinks.

EUGENIE LOUISE WRIGHT

Arts 3; Tri-Y 3; Pan American 4; Vice-President 3; Student Council 3

Genie will enter University of South Carolina — admires teachers with sense of humor — believes "have fun while you're young, for you may never be old."

CLIFFORD WILLIAM WYLIE

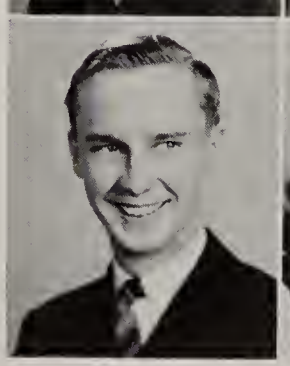
National Honor Society 3, 4; Pan American League 3, President 4; Home Room Treasurer 4

"Shur Shot" derives his name from rifle team records — irked by persons stopping to talk on crowded stairways — prizes U. S. citizenship above all other possessions.

ALICE ELIZABETH YAGLE

Glee 4; Commercia 3, 4

Al believes in the motto, "Live and let live" — collects spoons and post cards — admires ambitious persons — wants to live in Florida.



"Citizens of

The publications assembly, one of the first of the year, presented Major Frank Bush, morale officer of Camp Grant, who spoke about the camp as a reception center. Frank Rowley, Owl and Annual business manager; Richard Shattuck, Annual Editor; and Chad Brooks, Owl Editor, who spoke concerning the Publications Drive, are shown conversing with him. (top) .***Lane K. Newberry, an art director of an advertising agency, spoke to seniors about his painting representing the Mormon trek from the banks of the Mississippi, to the Great Salt Lake. Watching as he explains the significance of the above picture are Marajean Pedlow and Claude Salisbury, seniors interested especially in art. (center) ***Several members of the Junior Class of 1941 acted as ushers for the Baccalaureate services held in the West High auditorium last year. Among them were (left to right) Miss Knill, Junior Class advisor, Gloria Hutchins, Marion Swanstrom, Mary Odorski, Joan Ralston, Kent Moberg, Nancy Lindstrom, Virginia Morgan, Jean Picken, Jacqueline Arnold, and Barbara Ralston. (lower left) ***On April 23 of last year, the Junior amateur contest was held as an assembly program. Vernie Lindstrom, Junior class president, acted as master of ceremonies. The winners (left to right in front row) were Louis Dal Santo, first, and the "Haymakers", a countrified swing band consisting of Bill McMillin and Tracy Borst, were second. (bottom)

Tomorrow"

During a special assembly in November, Walter Morgan, a page in the House of Representatives, told of his experiences in Congress. Since he has been an eye-witness for so many historic events, many of the students were anxious to meet him. Among these were (left to right) Gordon Early and Seniors Robert Hogg, and Marion Reiman. (top) ***In last year's Junior Oratorical contest held in March, Roger Garst (second from left) is shown accepting a loving cup in recognition of his victory. Victor Olson (right) who came in second, received a book of his own choice. Miss Scandroli (left) had charge of the contest, and Miss Knill (right) presented the awards. (center) ***Reverend H. P. White, who spoke in assembly during Church Fidelity week, is pictured with several members of the A Cappella Choir, which presented two selections before his talk. These members are Wava Bowton, Stanton Hyer, organist, Richard McGinnis, Gene Knight, and Janet Smith. Joe Olson (left) and Bill Trefz, Hi-Y members are also pictured. (lower right) ***Seen receiving instructions from Kent Moberg for ushering at last year's Baccalaureate services are (left to right, standing): Nelson, Hancock, Reno, Garst, Gronlund, Shattuck, Schricker, Hogg, Trefz, Guarino, Rowley, and Olson. Those kneeling are Cassaro, Rudolph, Wiley, W. Brooks, C. Brooks, and McGinnis. These boys were chosen from the Junior class to act as ushers.

"Labor Flashes"

Each year a comparative record is made of the scholastic standing of members of the graduating class, and the ten boys and girls ranking highest are given special recognition. The boy and girl chosen by the senior class to serve as speakers at commencement are elected from this group by the students. Jacqueline Arnold and Roger Reno were this year's speakers.

On the opposite page are the names of seniors who maintained at least a "B" average throughout their high school careers.

Virginia Burris	Jacqueline Arnold	Joan Ralston	Roger Garst	Nick Guarino
Pearl Piercy	Joyce Schmeling	Richard Shattuck	William Trefz	June Sanders
Marajean Pedlow	Sylvia Kreuter	Wendell Brooks	Robert Hogg	Marshall Wiley
Barbara Ralston	Elisabeth Barkey	Roger Reno	Edward Falgout	Clifford Wylie

Honor Roll

Jacqueline Rose Arnold

Elisabeth Mary Barkey

Richard Chadwick Brooks

Wendell Brooks

John Allen Brophy

Virginia Louise Burris

Edward John Falgout

Shirley Jeannette Gardiner

Roger Garst

Nick Guarino

Robert Vincent Hogg

Shirley Dorette Johns

Sylvia Vivian Kreuter

Albert LaGaisse

Nancy Ann Lindstrom

Vernie Glenn Lindstrom

Donald Frederick Martinson

Mary Louise Odorski

Patricia Ann Owens

Marajean Pedlow

Jean Catherine Picken

Pearl Piercy

Barbara Jean Ralston

Joan Elizabeth Ralston

Roger Reno

James St. John

Claude Laird Salisbury

June Colleen Sanders

Joyce Virginia Schmeling

Richard Lyle Shattuck

Gordon Shaler Smith

Marion Octavia Smith

Mary Ellen Stutsman

Genevieve Mae Tomenellie

William Trefz

Kenneth Victor White

Marshall Wayne Wiley

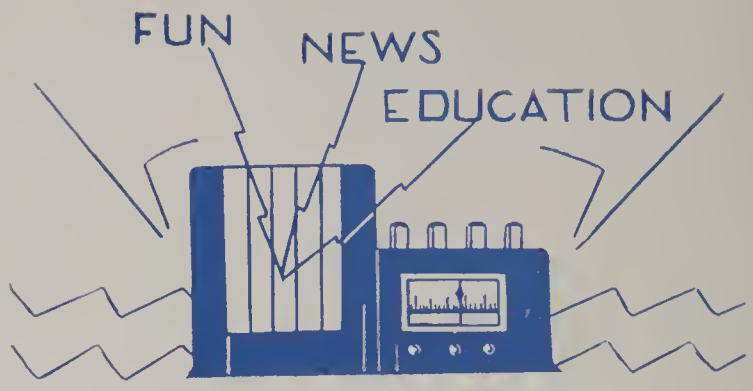
Clifford William Wylie

In scenes from "June Mad" Mr. Harris (Bill Knight) and Doctor Wood (Bob Schandelmeier) "lecture" Chuck . . . Claire Kaplan (Milly Lou) spies on Flora Stanbery (Julie Harris) and Owen Pollard (Mervin) . . . (lower right) Miss Dorothy Knill, junior counsellor, with class officers: Gerald Raasch, president; Bob Tooley, vice-president; Bill Gustafson, secretary; Polly Stone, treasurer.

"Audience"

The juniors presented their production "June Mad" in January . . . Shirley Reum (Penny Wood) exhibits red formal to Barbara Lyddon (Mrs. Wood) . . . Penny and Chuck (Reg Whitson) "fence" as Nitza Retsinas, Kenneth Crandall, (Shirley and Ralph Wentworth), and Virginia Vestal (Effie) admire . . . Gordon Early as Roger Van Vleck, Jack Pfieffer as Mervin appeared also.

"Audience"



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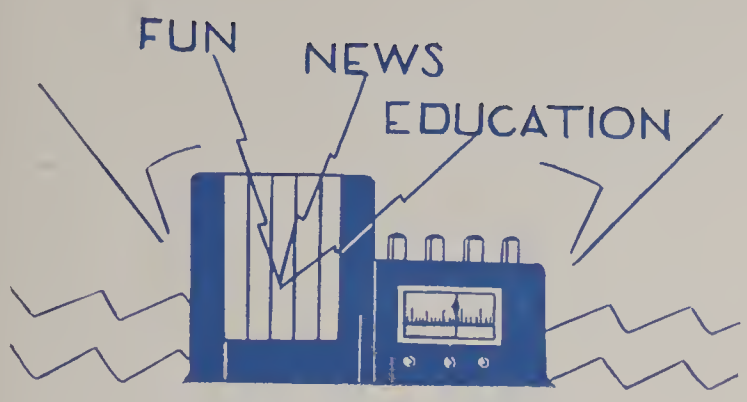
Barney Alfano	Jeanette Allen	Rosemary Allen	Antonia Alonzo
Carl Anderson	Harris Anderson	Ida Anderson	Richard Andringa
Dorothy Anthony	Dominic Arbisi	Barbara Attenberg	Jeanne Babbitt
Wayne Bachelor	Darlin Bailey	Anne Balcitis	Julie Barber
Lemuel Bartholomee	Mary Bartoli	Murray Bate	Carlton Bates
Robert Beattie	Eleanor Behler	Mary Lou Bezdak	Lois Black

"America is a great country for representation—in schools as well as in government. In electing class officers students choose someone in whom they see true merits, for those chosen give definite services. Students experience competition. They learn to let the majority rule the minority."—Lucy Goetz.



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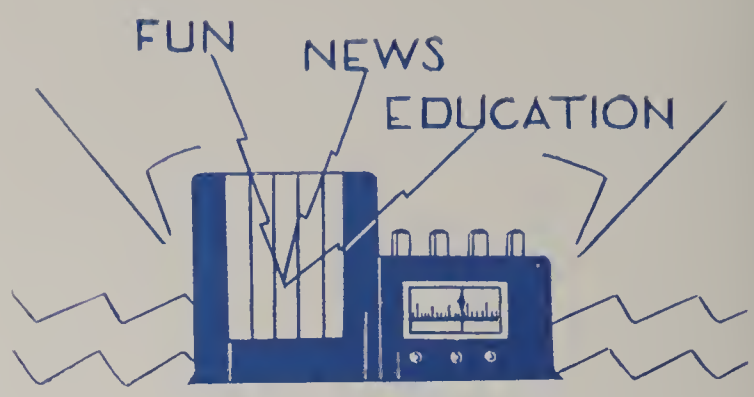
"Today, more than ever before, education is of the utmost importance; we must look beyond these years of strife, for then education will be a backstop of democracy. Thus the person who shirks his education forgets his obligation to his country and himself as well."—John Ross.

Lavonne Bolte	Joseph Bosi	Bernice Bouchard	Warren Brander
Alice Brees	Jean Brehm	Virginia Brightup	Joyce Brown
Luella Brown	Joe Bruneni	Joe Bryan	Pauline Burkhart
Barbara Burrows	Bill Burt	Shirley Cain	Jeanette Caldwell
Benjamin Calvin	Nora Carafotias	Patricia Carey	Dorothy Carlen
Joyce Carlson	Ruth Carlson	Joan Carlstedt	Marian Castree

Shirley Chalmers	Virginia Claridge	Roland Clark	Elaine Cleary
Wilbur Cleveland	Thomas Clift	Darlene Coffen	Howard Coffman
Adeline Conevera	Barbara Conklin	Harry Cooper	Bob Corbridge
Phyllis Coretz	Winona Corey	Olive Cotta	Kenneth Crandall
Floriajane Crawford	Martha Crawford	Janice Culbertson	Shirley Cummings
William Cummings	Dale Damon	Harriett Daniels	Harryette Dannenberg



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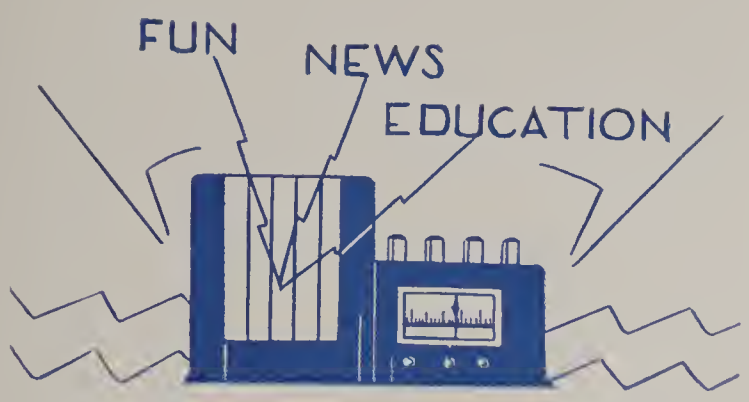
"In this critical period the demand for experienced soldiers is unquestionable; consequently, ROTC is more beneficial today than ever. Probably the war will still exist when the Junior boys will be eligible to serve their country. With this training their chance of advancement is greater."—Gordon Early.



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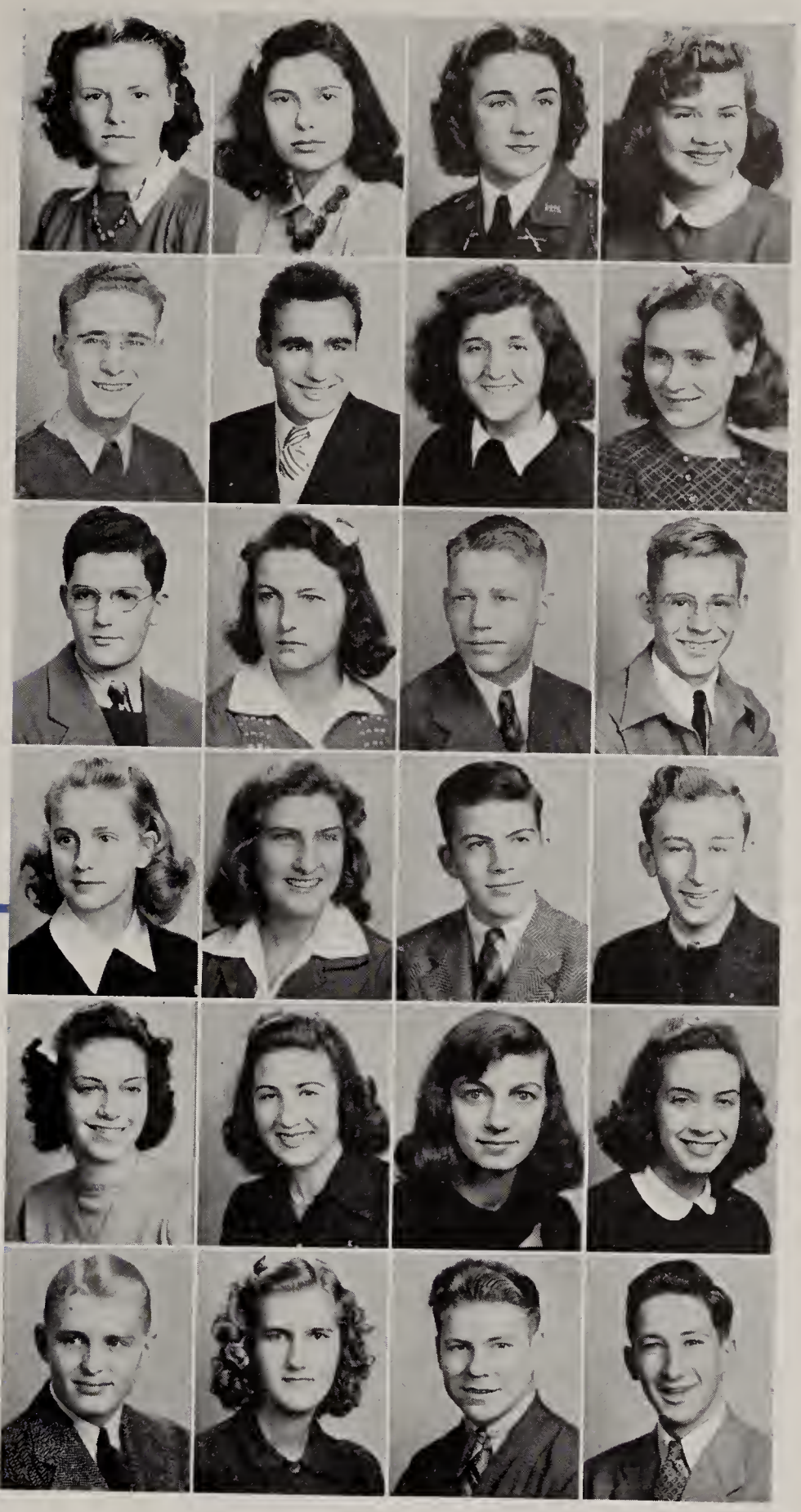
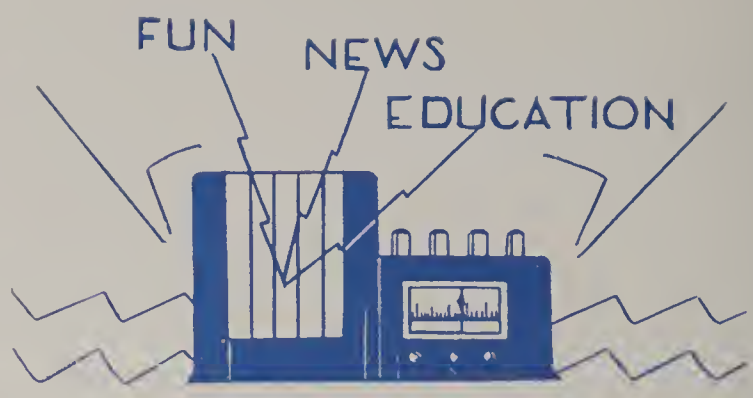


"Most of the pupils in their junior year have not decided definitely their life work. Primarily, one should decide whether or not a college education may be obtained. In these times I think R.O.T.C. should be recommended as well as a full mathematics course."—Charles Hendriksen.

June Davis	Jean De Cori	Marjorie Deetz	Shirley Deppen
Stuart Dickerson	John Di Marzio	Loretta Di Raimondo	Lois Dirkson
John Dixon	Doris Doyle	Donald Dresser	Paul Driesbach
Helen Durbrow	Editha Dusher	Gordon Early	Kent Eby
Bettijean Eddy	Catherine Eggleston	Patricia Eiler	Evelyn Ekard
Jerry Eklund	Yuma Elker	Eldon Elliott	Bill Elmer



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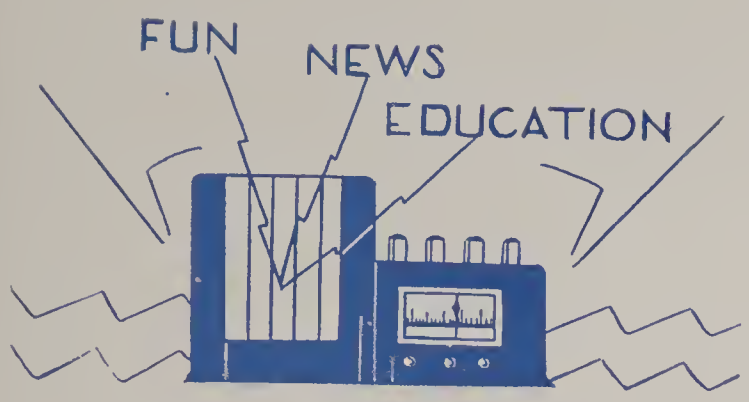
Mary Emminger	Richard Esmond	Jack Faith	Richard Falconer
Alice Ferri	Charles Fillmore	Robert Finley	Jill Floden
Evelyn Foht	Duane Foster	Patricia Foster	Jacequline Frey
Charlotte Frink	Barbara Fry	Jeannette Fry	Frank Gagliano
Rae Gale	Gwen Gallagher	Janet Garner	J. T. Garner
Irene Gary	Joyce Gayle	Dollia Gazzineo	Lydia George

"I believe extra-curricular activities afford an opportunity to the student to cast a pattern or preview of himself and thus determine in what fields his interests lie. Our regular school curriculum prepares us for life while the extra-curricular activities help us to appreciate it."—Janice Wolter.



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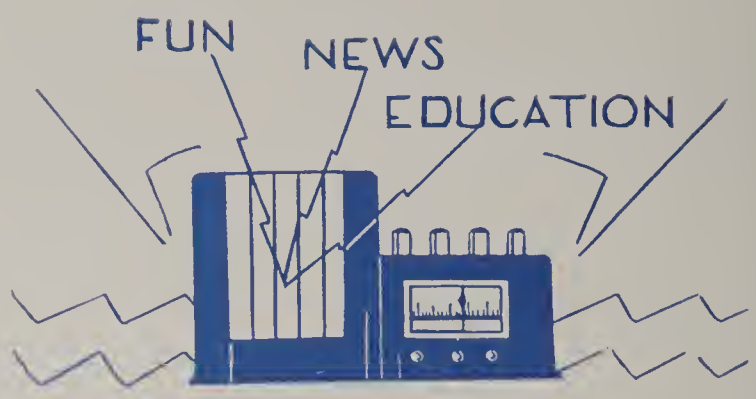
"An activity very beneficial to the members of the Junior class is the class play. This gives many students an opportunity to co-operate with their fellow classmen and make many new acquaintances. As a group they take pride in presenting the play for the enjoyment of others." —Marjorie Deetz.

Janet Getts	Elizabeth Ghent	Anthony Giambruno	Lucy Goetz
George Goomas	Ava Gorst	John Gregory	Eva Grenko
Jean Gridley	Winona Gunther	Bill Gustafson	Sally Hagerty
John Halsted	Gordon Hammond	Bill Harmon	Frederick Harrison
Franklin Hazelo	Louise Hazelton	Mary Heavlin	Ruth Heisler
Gloria Henderson	Charles Henriksen	Allan Hermanson	Mary Himert



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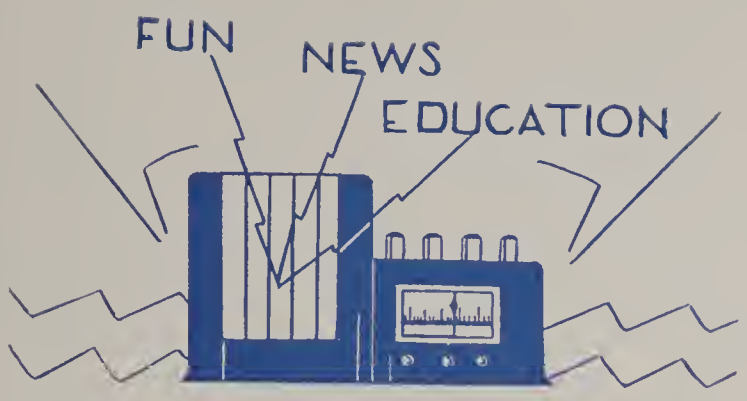
Lorraine Hobbs	Janet Hogan	Edith Holmes	William Holt
Marilyn Hopkins	Robert Horner	Elizabeth Hough	Audrey Houseknecht
Marilynn Hudson	Betty Huff	James Huggard	Donald Hunt
Camilla Ingrassia	John Jacob	Barbara Johnson	Glenn Johnson
Gordon Johnson	Grant Johnson	Jane Johnson	Keith Johnson
Helen Jones	Marilyn Juhlin	Jeanne Kahler	Roseann Kastenbaum

"I believe that the work spent on the 'Owl' will be most beneficial to me in later life. I have learned to meet people and to take a greater interest in what they do. It has also given me a broader oulook on school life."—Helen Durbrow.



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"Publications advertising work has placed me before prominent business men of Rockford. It has taught me that doing one job with full effort is worth much more than doing many jobs with a little effort for each. It has placed responsibility upon me."—Paul Traum.

Robert Kaufman	Stephen Kerns	Marion Kindell	Betty Kneiss
Gene Knight	William Knight	Marilyn Kopf	Lois Korff
Robert Kosman	Mary-Jane Kretsinger	Shirley Kreuter	Charlotte Kronemyer
Anna Laaker	Jane Lace	Frank Ladik	Betty Larson
Darlene Lawson	Walter Layman	Barbara Lee	Dorothy Leech
Charis Lembke	Carolyn Lindberg	Stanley Linder	Jack Lindstrom

"Campus

A gay time was had by all attendants of the Junior Prom. The green colored punch served for refreshment also assisted in commemorating the Irish feast Day. Among the students who are apparently enjoying the punch are: Roland Shumway, Polly Stone, Bob Corbridge and Editha Dusher.

The green and white shamrock programs used for the Prom were in keeping with the Saint Patrick's Day decorations with which the gymnasium was gaily arrayed. Shown discussing these very attractive programs are (left to right) Edward Rodgers, Margaret Shelden, Marjorie Deetz, Gordon Early, Marcia Norton, and Gerald Raasch, the junior class president.

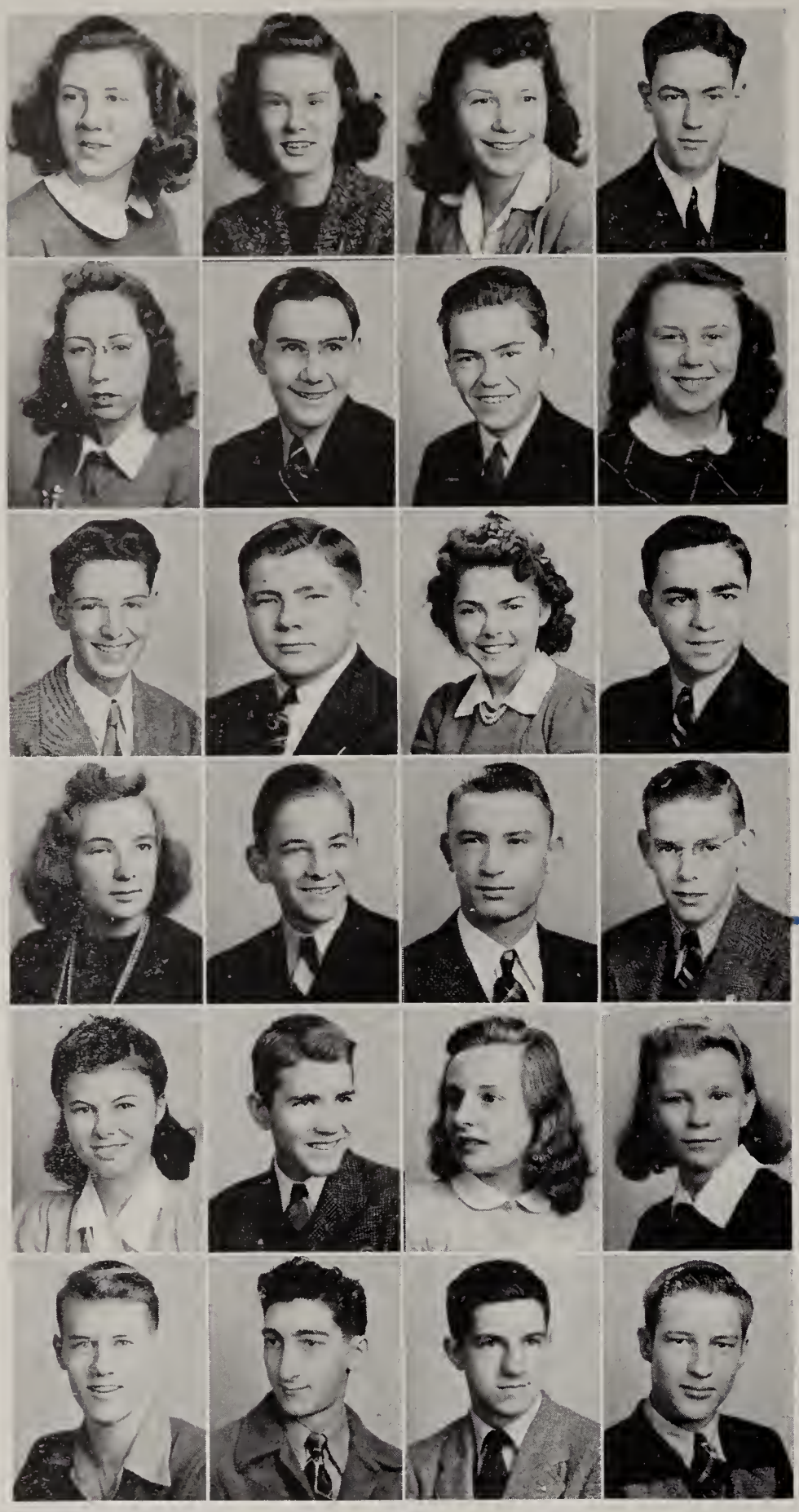
The important event in an evening of fun and entertainment was the Junior Prom grand march which was led by Marcia Norton and Gerald Raasch, class president. Shown in the line of march seeming to have a delightful time, are (left to right) Kay Nicholson, Bob Perkins, Margaret Shelden, Edward Rogers, Marie O'Connor, Bill Knight, Editha Dusher, Bob Corbridge, Janice Wolter, Richard Shattuck, Polly Stone, Roland Shumway, Lois Bendes, Bill Gustafson, Marcia Norton, and Gerald Raasch. Lively spirits and smiles, prevalent among the dancers, combined with the vivid decorations, contributed toward making the Prom a success.

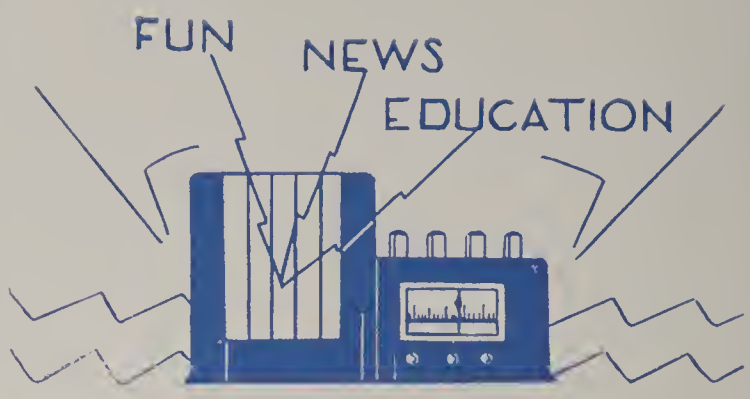
Capers"

The theme for this year's Junior Prom was centered around St. Patrick's Day which was only a few days before the dance. Members of the Junior class worked in Miss Knill's room each fifth and sixth hour for weeks before the twentieth of March, the day the dance was held. Pat Eiler, seated at the left, who designed the linoleum block for the dance program, is shown discussing it with Nancy Ross while Pat Rosenburg and Camilla Ingrassia cut out shamrocks, pipes and hats which formed a fence around the orchestra.

Also helping with the decorations for the dance were (left to right) Janice Wolter, Editha Dusher, Gerald Raasch, Lucy Goetz, chairman of the decorations committee, and Margaret Shelden. Janice, Gerald and Margaret are putting the finishing touches on the decorations for the wall, while Editha and Lucy cut out the dance programs.

Green and white rows of crepe paper were put up alternately in the gym, forming a false ceiling. Phyllis Pickering, Jill Floden, Gordon Early, Julie Barber, and George Taylor are shown putting up the decorations the afternoon before the dance. Behind the orchestra was a huge shamrock while on the walls were small green hats. Howie Wright's orchestra furnished the music for the occasion.





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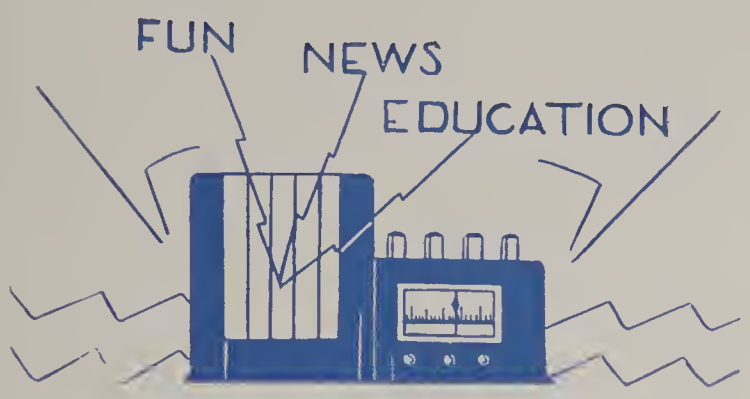
Barbara Lyddon	Jean MacDonald	Jessica MacGaffey	Virgil McCallen
Shirley McCarthy	Lawrence McClellan	Donald McCoy	Betty McDonald
Philip McDonald	Donald McElheny	Marian McEntee	Sam Maggio
Jacqueline Major	Malcolm Martin	Robert Martin	Robert Mason
Helen Mayberry	Robert Medernach	Jane Merritt	Phyllis Merrill
Bill Messer	John Miceli	Sam Miller	Robert Mills

"Now that I have completed eleven years of school, my Senior year promises to be eventful and exciting. There are numerous assemblies for Seniors which deal with problems to be faced after graduation. Throughout the year there are various committees on which I will enjoy serving."—Flora Stanbery.



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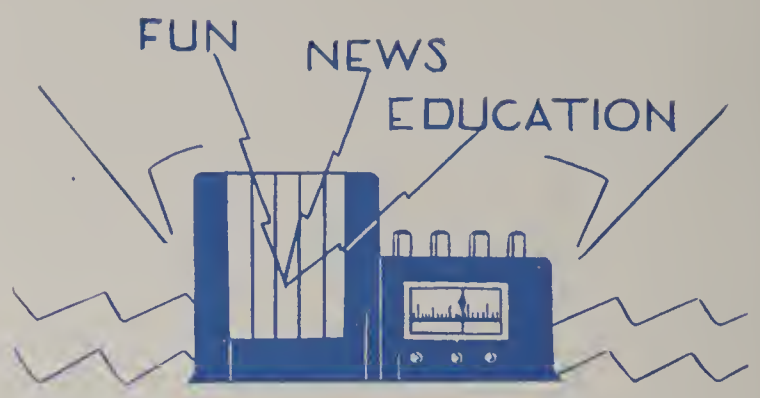
"The course which I believe most beneficial to the high school Junior is a Math course. For the greatest benefit one should take eight semesters of Math. To many students this may seem like too much in one field, but it will repay them in higher wages and promotions."—Bob Severson.

Raymond Molander	Virginia Monks	Eleanor Martinson	Carol Mund
Stirling Murphy	Margie Murray	Geraldine Nelson	Marcia Norton
Nancy O'Brien	James O'Hare	Barbara Ohlson	Marion Olson
Geraldine O'Merara	Lois Oster	Pat Packard	Dorothy Padon
Roy Page	Barbara Pagel	Phyllis Pearce	Marion Pearsall
Betty Pease	Dick Peters	George Peplos	Jack Pfieffer



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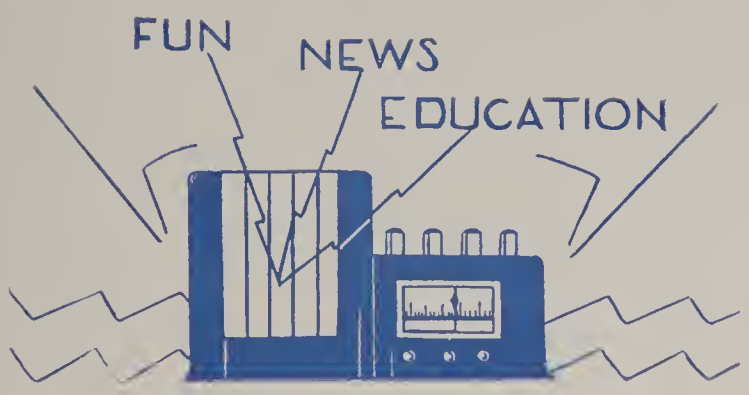
Florence Phelan	Phyllis Pickering	Owen Pollard	Ruby Quist
Gerald Raasch	Dick Ramer	Parthena Ramsey	Jeanne Ray
Bernard Reese	Shirley Reum	Donald Reilly	Nitza Retsinas
Robert Reynolds	Harry Richards	Virginia Richards	Phyllis Riedisel
Ruth Rielly	Helen Ritchie	Helen Jane Robertson	Virgil Rodd
Maxine Roderick	Edward Rodgers	Patricia Rosenberg	Ramona Roser

"In my opinion athletics has given me important training. In such outside activities one is able to meet more people and thus make more friends. For after all, a friend is 'the first person to come in when the whole world has gone out'."—Polly Stone.



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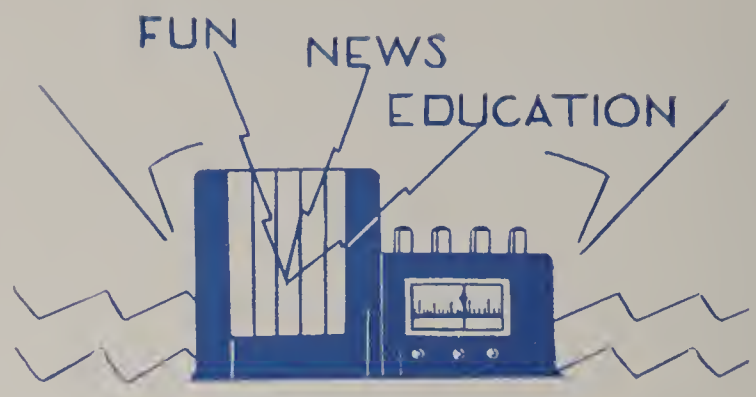
"The amount of time athletics should occupy in a Junior program chiefly depends on how much time one has to spend. If a boy has the time to go out for sports, he should put as much time as possible into athletics. The more time one spends in such extra-curricular activities the better he is acquainted with the pub-iic."—Joe Cuppini.

Nancy Ross	Betty Rudolph	Penny Safady	Betty Sartino
Josephine Sartino	Priscilla Scalise	Bob Schandelmeier	Dona Jean Schreiner
Juanita Schwartz	Betsy Scone	Robert Severson	Margaret Shelden
Suzanne Shellenberger	Charles Shinn	Rowland Shumway	Jerry Sinnett
Isabelle Sirton	Rae-Ann Sites	Rowland Smith	Willard Smith
Anthony Sparacino	Anthony Sparacino	Katherine Sparacino	Lenora Spooner



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Flora Stanbery
Richard Stanton
Shirley Steffa
Bob Stites

Marshall Stone
Polly Stone
Walter Stutzel
Audrey Sundberg

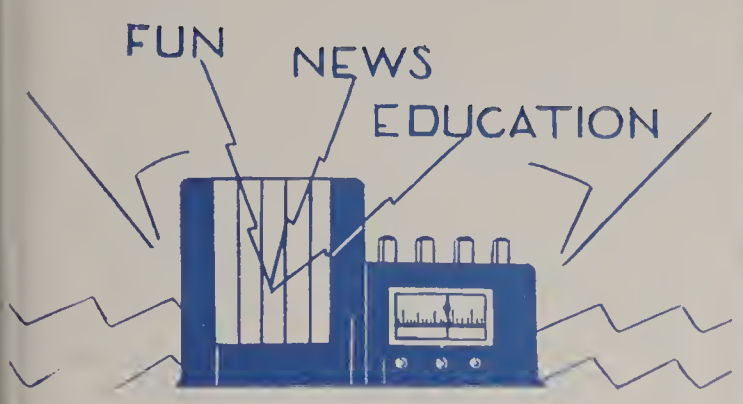
Elizabeth Suttie
Duanne Swanberg
John Swann
Margie Swift

Maurice Swinson
Lois Tappe
George Taylor
Ruth Thies

Lawrence Thomas
Robert Tooley
Charlotte Toomey
Paul Traum

Roberta Trisch
Evelyn Van Steenburgh
Marjorie Vaughn
Virginia Vestal

"I believe the cafeteria offers most to the convenience of the students. When they are tired from a full morning's work, it is refreshing to go into the well-ordered cafeteria. As the food is served at cost, this service is also helpful to the student's budget."—Editha Dusher.



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"At the present time the most valuable things in a high school education are those things which will prepare us for the world of war and strife into which we will be graduated. Mathematics, science, and R.O.T.C. will all be helpful to us when our time comes."—Jack Faith.

Betty Vogen	Peggie Volk	Robert Weatherly	Jean Weber	Wanda Weida
David Welsh	Harriett Wendell	Edward Westbrook	Janet Westerman	Loretta White
Stella White	Milton Whitney	Reginald Whitson	Stuart Williamson	Dorothy Williamson
Harry Williamson	Joan Willoughby	Sallymay Wilson	Betty Winchester	Ruth Wolf
Janice Wolter	Rosetta Wolter	Maryjane Wood	Fritz Wright	Helen Wysong
Howard Wysong	Jayne Yahrmarkt	Camilla Young	Kenneth Youngman	Betty Zipse

"Stars of

Members of the radio committee of the Newswriting class secured as their speaker Mr. William R. Traum, sales promotion manager of WROK. In his topic "Broadcasting the News", he explained to the class of attentive listeners how news was received and broadcast. The committee (upper left) composed of Peggy Volk, Paul Traum, and Jean Brehm look on as Mr. Traum explains various radio stunts. * * * All members of the high school Newswriting classes submitted entries to the special Memorial Day edition sponsored by the Rockford newspapers. Their entries along with their news stories were printed in the Memorial Day editions of the Rockford Register Republic and Morning Star. Prizes were offered to those who received the most votes. Betty Jane Kretsinger (center left) was selected as winner in the girls' division and was awarded a gold watch. Frank Ladik was presented a suede jacket as boys' division winner.***J. T. Garner (lower picture, left) acted as master of ceremonies for the Sophomore amateur assembly. Many sophomores participated in the program in which winners were selected by the audience. These winners were (from left to right) Kenneth Crandall, who gave a humorous reading, Anita Lobdell, who played a piano solo, Frank Aliprandini first place winner, who played a selection on his accordion and Janice Wolter who also gave a piano selection.***Shamrocks, in good Irish style, supplied the decoration for the Junior Prom. The huge Shamrock shown at the lower right was finally completed through the efforts of Bob Horner and Charles Hendrickson, both members of the sponsoring class. Glittering with silver dust and velvet green paper the shamrock made a very pleasing, impressive appearance. All decorations were white and green in commemoration of St. Patrick's Day.

Tomorrow"

It is customary that each newswriting class during the semester hear at least one speaker talk on some phase of newswriting. Mr. Chester E. Phillips (left), advertising manager for the Rockford Morning Star and Register Republic, was selected by the student committee on speakers to speak on the various types of advertising. Pictured are Harry Richards (left), Joyce Gale, and Claire Kaplan, the committee.***The Sophomore party held last spring was a departure from the annual affairs of the Central high school as it was the first party of the underclassmen. Games such as ping-pong and badminton, and dancing, the music which was supplied by the nickelodeon, occupied the time of the party-goers. Among the dancers shown are J. T. Garner, chairman, and Sally Wilson (third couple left).***In a special assembly held exclusively for subscribers to the publications, Joseph Ellis, a native of Bagdad, gave a lecture on the culture of Java, Singapore and nearby countries. Looking on as Mr. Ellis dressed Jessica McGaffey in the native garb, which generally consists of sorongs, are Bob Leibforth and Duane Swanberg (left). Harry Richards and Frank Rowley (right).***In token of their success in the sale of tickets for the Junior class play, Gordon Early and Editha Dusher receive recognition from Miss Knill, Junior counselor. Gordon's sale exceeding all others in the field of 100 salesmen entitled him to the first prize of five dollars. Editha with a greater number of tickets to her credit did not accept a prize as she had had the advantage of selling in the corridors.

Russ Hoogerhyde, archer, demonstrates (above) to Charles Detlof, Bill Doran, and Laverne Ward after Sophomore assembly . . . Marion Eichman, first home room treasurer collecting complete dues, with Sue Elrich, George Easton, and Rogene Fane making first payments . . . (right) Earl Stringer, Darlene Roberts, Dimmie Lathrop, Richard Dresser, and Tony Massetti plan Sophomore party.

"Audience"

Sophomores entering in September elected Alan Lindstrom, president; Bill Jackson, vice-president; Mary Knight, secretary; and Sally Hobart, treasurer, who are shown at lower right receiving congratulations from Miss Maxine Ollman, new sophomore adviser . . . shown at far left tallying votes in their election are Dorothy Lehman, Kendall Bates, George Koberg, Joan Liddell, and Charles Crowley.

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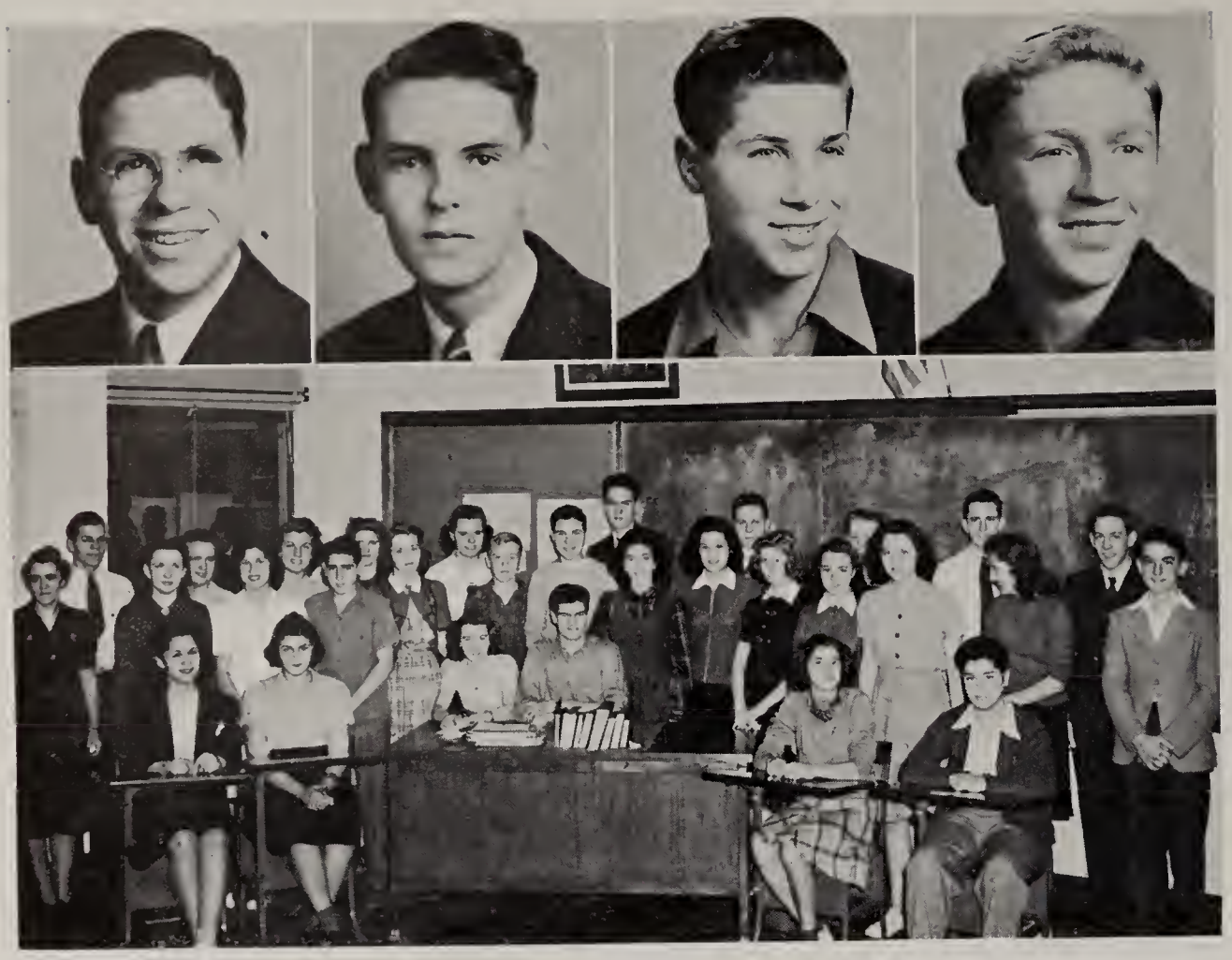

KENDALL BATES: Taking part in Forum club and publications activities keeps Kendall (left) busy.*** PAUL BERG: Interested in debating and publications, Paul is also a member of the Orchestra.***HARRY BRANCA: Harry is an ardent member of football and basketball teams. * * * WALTER BRANTINGHAM: "Walt", a skiing fan, is a member of the football squad.***Room 226 includes (left to right), DiMarzio, DiMario, Douglas, Bud Dresser, DeMakeas, DeCastris, Mrs. Coxon (teacher); Dalton, DiSanti, DiGiovanni, Duffus, DeMarco, DeCorte, Dickett, Dailey, D'Angelo, D'Antone, DeCori, Stage, Dunstan, Dobel, Dickson, DeWitt, Bill Dresser, Dooley, Detlof, Dule, Dean, Doran, Deuel.

Class of

Pictured left are members of room 318, which includes (left to right) Jackno, Hendricks, Henderson, Hawn, Knodle, Harrison; Kwass, Haddad, Bertrand, Benjamin, Bates, Bartoli, Bakke; Hobart, Hohm, Hollenbeck, Hyer, Inhoff, Inman, Knight, Kilsberg, Kallies, Jackson, Jurgens, Kendall, Miss Foster (teacher).

The group of Sophomores (lower left) in home room 313, includes (left to right) Staublin, Sowles, Souvestke, Snyder; Johnson, Vause, Didier, Tusso, Thornbloom, Taylor, Tarara; Carmichael, Vallee, Verstynen, Young, Williamson, Weller, Miss Sheetz (teacher); Neff, Shackleford, Sisti, Raap, Carlson, Slive, Smith, Walker, Slick.

Members of room 125 are Chapman, (presiding); (left to right) Ciulla, Casico, Cate, Piercefield; J. Cicero; Chihocki, Christianson, Christopherson, Chriswell, Ciaccio; C. Cicero; Carmichael, Cerniglia, Clancy, Clikeman, Coblentz; Corey, Cotta, Cox, Crapisi, Crescenzo; Curtis, Cushman, Shore, Cook; Miss Brown (teacher), Conant, Coleman, Connell, Carman, Hyland.

The members of home room 217 are (left to right) Bomgarden, Bonham, Bouchard, Bowers, Boyle, Brady; Brain, Sutliff, Branca, Brantingham, Breckenridge, Broge, Brown; Browne, Bucher, Burdick, Burke, Burr, Buttice; Callea, Miss Beatty (teacher); Cannella, Carlson, Johnson, Nichoff, Smith, Blomberg.

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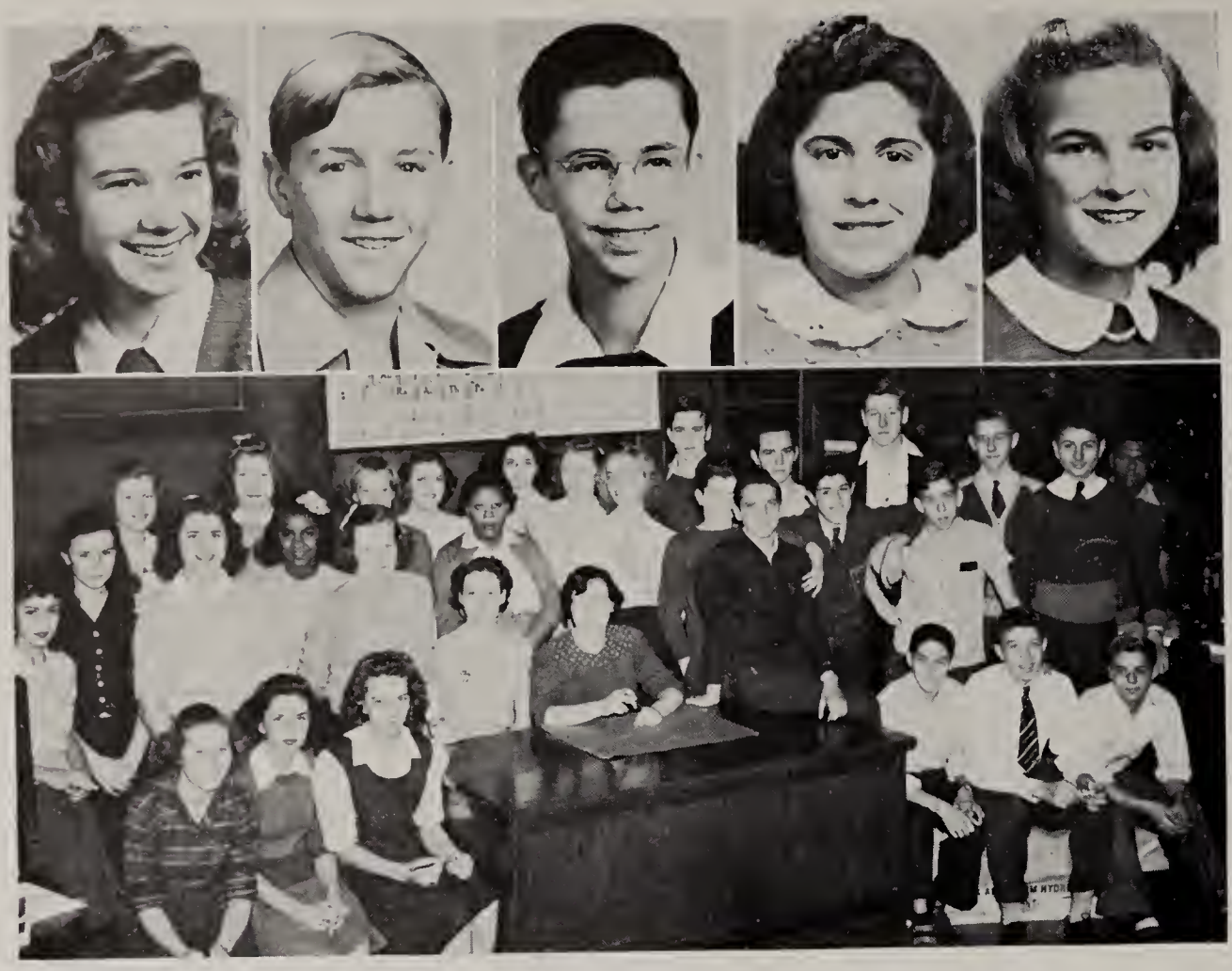
ROBERT CLARK: Bob (left) performed on the football, basketball, and swimming teams.***SHIRLEY COBB: Interested in sports, Shirley participates in the GAA tournaments. ***CHARLES CROWLEY: Charles, his home room president, is a member of the football squad.***MARGARET DICKETT: Another GAA member, Margaret enjoys swimming in her spare time.***Shown at the right are members of home room 303, who are (left to right) Bendes, Triolo, Bellone, Allen, Adams, Alberts, Acardo; Bicksler, Bacno, Bianchi, Bergstadt, Alfano, Alexander, Belknap, Banks; Bale, Banes, Bailey, Baker, Berg, Ahmer, Blackwell, Bittner, Anderson, Allen.



SYLVIA DOUGLAS: GAA, Tri-Y, and Latin clubs occupy Sylvia (left). ***GEORGE FORBES: George is a diver on the tank squad.***RILEY FRANKLIN: Riley, a Latin club member, enjoys outdoor sports.*** ANGIE FUCA: A library worker, Angie participates in GAA.*** SALLY HOBART: Sally serves as sophomore class secretary and Student Council representative.***Room 324 includes (left to right) Neff, Luhman, Moehle, Markin, May, Brearley; Mazzola, Michelon, Mulford, Palmer, Munson, Michaels, Marshall, Myles, Born; B. Olson, Palmer, Bowden, Linneman, Hathaway, Bolender, Mrs. Carlin (teacher); G. Olson, McCrudden, Luethje, Bergeron, Naill, Naviskis, Palombi, Miller, Bowles, Leber.

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Included in home room 215 are (left to right) Triolo, Ross, Dargel, Swanson, Stephenson, Smith; H. Stevens, Miss Kieffer (teacher); Stringer; R. Steward, Stenstrom, D. Steward; Spataro, Stroit, Straznickas, Stites; K. Stevens, Larson, St. Pierre, Stiegler, Thorpe, Trefz, Thayer, Thornton, Swisher, Urbanski; V. Smith, Unmacht, Staggs.

In home room 225 are (left to right) sophomores LaLoggia, Law, Johns, Jefferson, Janison, Jackson, Stultz, Kent; E. Jones, Kanode, Jory; R. Jones, Isabelli, Knop, Knipprath, Klapp, Kinson, Kuhn; Hotchkiss, Zumhagen, Lee, Kurtz, Krause, Lathom, Miss Walker (teacher); Kelly, Johnson, Koberg, Knapp, Kindell.

Shown at the right are members of home room 321, who are (left to right) Long, Marzorati, Massi, Matranga, Licari, Mershon, Messer; Legge, Meyers, Stanislaus, McDonough, Estell, Leombruni, Lewis, Messina, Link; Mr. Whitenack (teacher); Marino, Lindstrom, Marovich, Margis, Lyon, Lomas, Lidell, Mitchell.

The group in home room 134, includes (left to right) Rasmussen, Pro, Puricelli, Quinlan; Pugh, Phillips, Prioletta, Roberts, Robinson, Pettis; Rosborough, Pizler, Railton, Retsinas, Risley, Prentice, Reese; Miss Boyd (teacher); Brown, Peterson, Pyle, Ronk, Richardson, Ramberg, Peters, Roach, Rogers, Preston.

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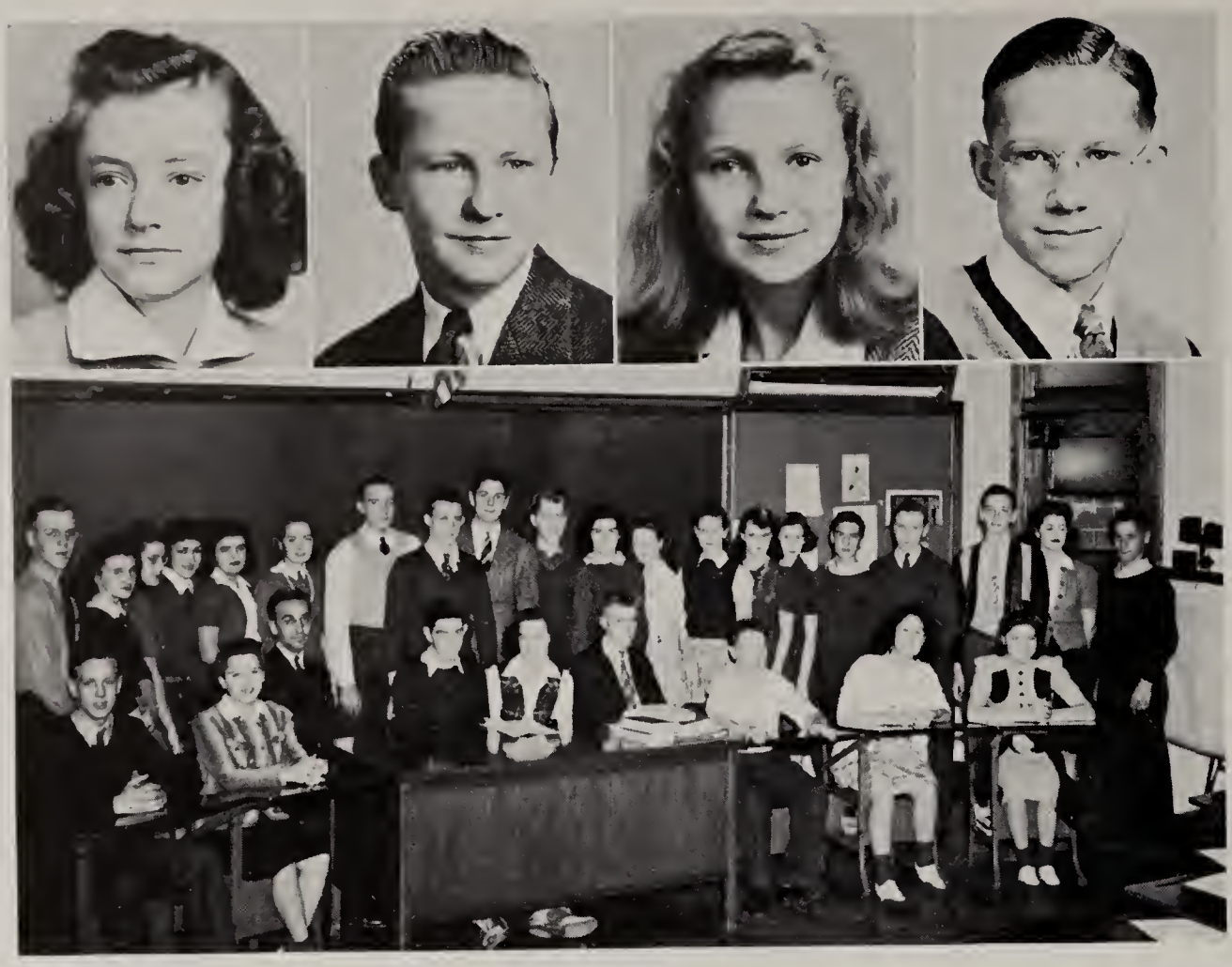
CAMILLE INGRASSIA: Camille finds time for Latin and Curtain clubs, (left).***WILLIAM JACKSON: Bill is vice-president of the sophomore class.***MARY KNIGHT: Sophomore class treasurer, Mary is also a GAA captain.***GEORGE KOBERG: An ROTC cadet, George is a French club member.***CAROL LAWRENCE: A GAA worker, Carol chooses swimming as her favorite sport.***Members of room 302 pictured are (left to right) Kurtz, Swansbro, DiPuma, Cobb, Harris, Fuca, DiFede; Chrisman, Eklund, Ashley, Arbisi, Claus, Anderson, Gingerich, Golaxon, Gentry, Castelli, Cavataio, Mr. Crull (teacher); Carpenter, Fitzpatrick, Fairhead, Clark, Crowley, Delany, France, Gritz, Golden.



JOANNE LIDDELL: An orchestra member, Joanne (left) plays the piano in her leisure time.***ALAN LINDSTROM: Elected president of the sophomore class, Alan is also an ROTC cadet.***SALLY MORGAN: Secretary of her home room, Sally participates in speech activities and GAA.*** DAVID MOWER: David is a member of the Orchestra and the swimming team.***Room 129 lists as members (left to right) Roser, Sanders, Mr. Guzzardo (teacher); Seaman, Schmauss, Schlaf; A. Scott, Scarpitto, Perkins; Aue; C. Smith, Ruskavage, Clark, Schmaling, Scheldrup, Leary; L. Scott, Sears, Shigley; E. Smith, Baumgarten, Schuldt, Shanhouse, Tudor A. Schiro.

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These sophomores of Home Room 108 shown in the picture to the left are (left to right) Haselton, Hinde, Hough, Hammer, Harkreader, Hallock, Hyzer, Hand, Hall, Henn; Henry, Herman, Hartman, Hoffman, White, Hough; Hemenway, Helman, Hilt, Henricks, Ingrassia, Hamer.

Members of home room 317 are shown in lower left picture. They are (left to right) Faltysek, Fane, Farrell, Eiler, Elliott, Ellis, Elrick, Enna, Forbes, Fabbiano; Evans, Eastman, Eckman, Eichman, Eikstadt, Foltz; Wilkins, Falconer, Forbes, Earngey, Fiorini, Finley, Fleming, Felton; J. Fasula, Fiorenza, Saunders, L. Fasula.

Another sophomore Home Room, 309, (upper right) includes (left to right) Karp, Wainright, Ward, Wedgewood, Wolfram; White, Weeks, Warkentien, Waisner, Wagner; Mrs. Hughes, (teacher); Newton, Valentine, Williams,, Van Cura, Weinstein, Yockum, Weller, Whitman, Zimmer, Williford, Weaver, Wasney, Walmsley, Zaharanich, Zirr, Wallack, Zweep, Volsch.

Members of room 130 (lower right) are (left to right) O'Brien, Odegard, Ohlson, Parlee; Pace, Pagel, Marjorie Palmer, Martha Palmer, Parlapiano, Olsen; Pasch, Parrovechio, Pedlow, Nelson, Perry, McWilliams, Nichels; Miss Whiting (teacher); Gave, Mulaie; B. Olson, Parrino, Montalbano, Mitkusevich, Mulford, Morgan, Owens, Lathrop, Budd, Mower; D. Olson.

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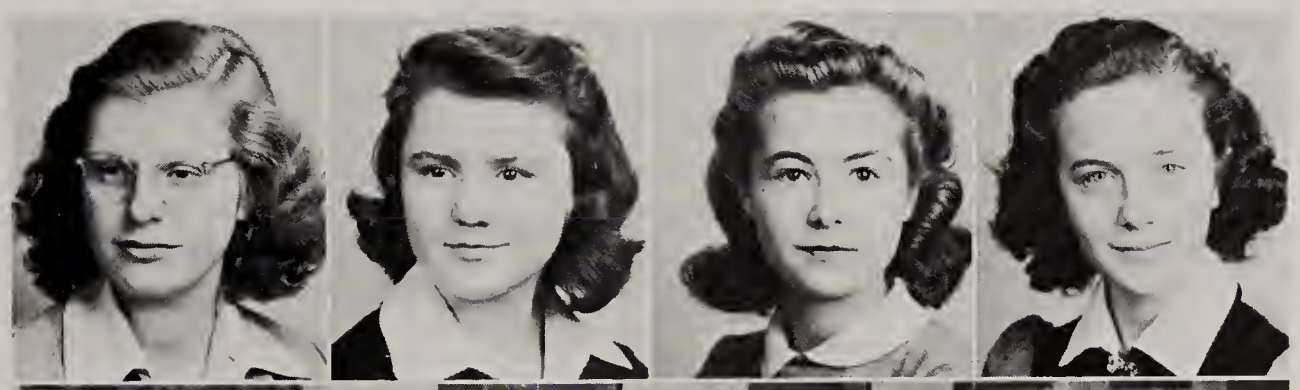

BARBARA MULFORD: Reading, dancing, and hiking delight Barbara, (left), a GAA member.***MARTHA PALMER: Hoping to become an artist, Martha enjoys drawing and painting. ***VIRGINIA QUINLAN: One of West's monitors, "Ginny" is a GAA member and sports fan.***DARLENE ROBERTS: Darlene is a member of Tri-Y, 8-5-3 Club, and Orchestra.*** Room 205 (lower right) includes, (left to right) Parrott, Rheingans, Parlee, Sandell, Zammuto; Wilson, Seitz, Lange, Pitschke, Cadwell, Profita, Roland; Miss Johnson (teacher); Roe, Beauchamp, Sanders, Witte, Salvi, Thomas, Petersen, Perry, Burd, Brown, Peplas, Cantini, Reed, Schmauss, Patterson, Endres, Robeson, Paterik, Piccione, Campbell, Carey.

MARILYN ROSS: Naming tennis as her favorite sport, Marilyn (left) participates in GAA and Tri-Y.*** MARILYN UNMACHT: Marilyn finds that Tri-Y, GAA, and Latin Club occupy her leisure time.***MARJORIE WELLER: Her home room treasurer, Marjorie chooses tennis as her best-liked sport.***IRENE WITTE: A Girls Glee Club singer and Pan-American League member, Irene likes to travel.***Room 115 includes (left to right) Forsaith, Friels, Genovese, Frisella, Gianoli, Galluzzo, Fouts, Foster, Gennaro, Fuca, Gould, Glenny, Giovingo, Fuca, Mr. Sabin (teacher); G. Franklin, R. Franklin, O'Donnell, Lucek, Frances, Gable, Glasson, Fulkerson, Golden, Gaziano.

Class of 1944

Sophomores brought their parents to school to an evening session last October so that they might meet their teachers. Here Jean Staublin shows the correct way to set a table while her

Parents night provides an opportunity for nomics department head, look on.

Parents night provides an opportunity for the parents to meet the teachers and become familiar with their children's work. Bill Delany (left), a physics student, is watching while Mr. Crull, center, explains the operation of an electric device to Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Delany.

In Memoriam

"On Saturday, October 11, hundreds of Rockford High School pupils were saddened by the tragic morning headlines. Among those involved in the fatal accident was Gloria Barnum, a West high sophomore. Gloria's enthusiastic interest in the team had led to her untimely death after the Aurora game.

"That Gloria was an alert, healthy, and active high school girl, a list of her interests would reveal. Such a list would, among others, include parties, sports, music, clothes, and studies. Those who knew Gloria best mentioned especially two of these: her desire to have many friends and her aim to excel in her school work. During her life, Gloria had realized both of these ambitions. Through her many contacts, she made a great number of friends, who spoke sincerely of her loyalty and generosity; through determination and application, she attained scholastic standings which placed her among those of superior rating.

"Can we not feel, then, that Gloria's life, though short, was not only happy but also successful?"

(Tribute written by Miss Ruth Foster, Gloria's home room teacher)

"73" GMB

At ABL Priority Party for which girls gave invitations, Nancy Gallagher presents Bill Harman with "vegetable" corsage as Marie O'Connor and Tom Green, resplendent with a wrist bouquet, look on (above, left) . . . Jill Floden, Marian Reiman, and Dorothy Hibbits advise Jim Hancock in adjusting decorations for 8-5-3 nickelodeon dance (above, right).

During Pan-American week the group of singers at left performed at assembly . . . Joe Bryan, Don Carpenter, and Barbara Ralston examine slides shown by Dr. Mary Braginton of Rockford College at joint Latin-French Club meeting . . . (bottom) Bill Trefz, Dorothy Williamson, Miss Putnam, and Richard Stanton, constitute Organization Board of Control.

"Forum"

At this meeting of the Social Arts Club the girls gave a Spring party. Colored balloons and streamers furnished the decorations. The theme of the party was "Come To The Fair." Shirley Gardiner, (left) and Wanda Black serve refreshments while Margaret Kriechbaum, (left) Pearl Piercy, Joan Latino, Dorothy Peterson and Pat Foster enjoy them.

Front Row: Martin, Erb, Hangartner, Ghent, Wetzel, Foster, Arnold. Second Row: Smith, Latino, Nelson, Swift, Welch, Kriechbaum, Black, Wolf. Third Row: Miss Johnson, Gruner, Hartley, Pollard, Curry, Bails, Eskelsen, Sierup, Ritchie, Vogen, Banes, Carey, Verstynen, Gardiner, (presiding).

"Over At Your House"

SOCIAL ARTS. SIGNIFICANCE OF NAME: the art of gaining poise and self-confidence in social behavior. ADVISER: Miss Camilla Johnson. MEETING PLACE: the Home Economics apartment on alternating Tuesdays.***FOUNDERS: The club was originally founded several years ago at Rockford Senior High School and called the Seco Club, a combination of the words social and economics. Last year, however, the group was reorganized and named the Social Arts Club. PURPOSE: to help its members to develop poise and confidence in themselves; also to gain practice in correct behavior as guests and hostesses.***REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP: to have studied some home economics course in the school curriculum. TRADITIONAL ACTIVITIES: presenting the faculty members of the home economics department with small gifts from time to time, usually examples of handicraft made at club meetings before a holiday; an annual sale of hot dogs prepared by the girls. SCHOOL SERVICE RENDERED: to aid in furnishing the home economics apartment along with various other classes of the department. ***FIRST SEMESTER OFFICERS: Shirley Gardiner, president; Kay Curry, vice-president; Wanda Black, treasurer; Pat Foster, secretary. PERSONNEL OF AN ACTIVE COMMITTEE: the program committee with Margaret Kriechbaum acting as chairman, assisted by Jeanne Wetzel, Gloria Thorpe, and Jo Ann Latino. OUTSTANDING MEMBERS: Janet Smith, Janet Fitzgerald, JoAnn Rolando, Geraldine Nelson, Gloria Thorpe, Marilyn Ghent, Alice Bails, Ruth Wolf, Lois Korff, Helen Knodle, Helen Ritchie, and Betty Banes.

"What Goes On Here?"

MONO KLUB. SIGNIFICANCE OF NAME: taken from the word "Monitor". ADVISOR: Mr. Harry Maitland. MEETING PLACE: Room 102 on alternating Tuesdays. FOUNDERS: Mr. John T. Haight, former band director of Rockford Senior High and NYA director at West High last year.***PURPOSE: aims to give service to the school by promoting order in the halls and performing this duty in a courteous fashion. REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP: to be a monitor and to maintain a "C" average in studies.***DUTIES: Monitors are posted at various stations in the halls, where they keep general order. This work is done during the monitor's study period, and his duty during that class hour is to see that all students passing in the halls have green admits from their classroom teacher. Other disturbances which might occur in the corridors during class periods are also curtailed by the monitor on duty.***INTER-CLASS ACTIVITIES: Monitors are stationed at the south doors leading from the second floor to prevent students from using these doors as exits, thus avoiding congestion on the south stairway. NOON-HOUR DUTIES: General order in the cafeteria is checked by the fourth hour monitors as well as the keeping students from using the corridors on floors where classes are in session during that particular lunch period. OTHER ACTIVITIES: sale of "West-Hi" pencils at various times during the year; picnics for the members; candy sales and dances also sponsored.***FIRST SEMESTER OFFICERS: Pete Stavros, president; Dorothy Hartley, vice-president; Joan Root, secretary; Barbara Johns, treasurer.

Front Row (seated, left): Knodle, Stavros, Mr. Maitland, Paternostro, Lawrence. Second Row: Corbridge, Gronlund, Eby, Heins, Link, Fitzpatrick, Roland, Root, Johns, Hartley, K. Johnson, Goomas, Skridla, Elliott, Anderson, Bittner, Brown, P. Johnson. Third Row: Fitzgerald, Leibforth, Nelson, Pontius, Erb, Chew, McCollough, Slick, Coblentz, Peplos, Carlberg, Wasney, Quinlan, Hummel, Esmond.

Monitors work hard enforcing the rules of the school, but they too must abide by regulations. Joan Root is giving a list of rules to Jim Eckman. Barbara Johns, George Goomis, Betty Link, and Edward Skridla are a few of the monitors whose duty is to question students in the halls during class hours.

The Ways and Means committee of the Music Appreciation Club was selected to supervise club finances. The chairman, Barbara Lee, is shown with other members of her committee who are Nancy Williams, Marjory Deetz, Stanton Hyer, Georgia Retsinas, Dick Johnson, Janice Wolter and Bob Dennis.

Front Row (seated, left): Coleman, Boettcher, Retsinas. Second Row: Deetz, Young, Hallock, Wolter, Anderson, Zumhagen, Houseknecht, Hyer, Johnson, Gale, Dennis, Cleveland, Lee, Brown, Miss Humphreys, Chrisman, Allen, Gallagher.

"Give Me Music"

MUSIC APPRECIATION. SIGNIFICANCE OF NAME: the enjoyment of good music. ADVISER: Miss Hilda Humphreys. MEETING PLACE: the choral room on the second Tuesday of every month.***FOUNDERS: a continuation of the Music Appreciation club of Rockford Senior high school, which existed there for many years. PURPOSE: to offer an opportunity to those interested in music, whether they be performers or not, to hear good types of music.***REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP: an interest in the best in music and the willingness to appreciate it. SERVICE TO MEMBERS: the teaching of good concert behavior. PROGRAMS: Various artists of the city provide the entertainment. This year's guests included Mrs. James Welch, Miss Lucille Mathre, Mr. Armour Ahlstrand, The Alister String Trio, and Mrs. Elmer Xanten. Each year one program is presented by members of the Honorary Musical Society of West High. ACTIVITIES: numerous sales are sponsored to raise funds for the club since it is traditional for the group to give corsages or other tokens of appreciation to its guest artists. ***FIRST SEMESTER OFFICERS: Stanton Hyer, president; Marjorie Deetz, vice-president and program chairman; Nancy Williams, secretary; Janice Wolter, treasurer. PERSONNEL OF AN ACTIVE COMMITTEE: the ways and means committee consisting of Barbara Lee, chairman; Georgia Retsinas, Dick Johnson, Bob Dennis, and the officers. OUTSTANDING CLUB MEMBERS: Richard Shattuck, Victor Montalbano, Dorothy Williamson, Sallymae Wilson, Flora Stanbery, Bob Hallock, Bob Nelson, and Maggie Allen.

"La T. S. F. Francaise"

FRENCH CLUB. SIGNIFICANCE OF NAME: pertaining to the French language and its study. ADVISER: Miss Isabel Fisher.***FOUNDERS: The club existed for many years at Rockford Senior high school under the name of "Le Cercle Francais". The West High group was reorganized by Miss Fisher, head of the foreign language department, and called the French Club. PURPOSE: to supplement classroom study by learning of French customs and culture; to improve the spoken French by conversing informally in a sizable group of people.***CLUB PIN: a small gold replica of the Eiffel Tower, a famous French structure erected in Paris, and around which the last French Exposition was centered.***REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP: to have studied French for at least one semester. PROGRAMS: an invitation meeting at which all new members were duly inducted; a talk by Miss Jane Sherwood of Rockford College; a taffy pull, and reports on well-known French artists and their masterpieces. Typical French games are also played as well as Bingo, which is given the French atmosphere by being called "vraiment" (meaning really). ACTIVITIES: a taffy-apple sale last fall and an afternoon dance later in the year.***FIRST SEMESTER OFFICERS: Lois Tappe, president; Genevieve Tominellie, vice-president and program chairman; Joan Morton, secretary; Betsy Scone, treasurer. PERSONNEL OF AN ACTIVE COMMITTEE: the committee for the taffy pull with Anne Gulotta acting as chairman assisted by Camilla Ingrassia. OUTSTANDING MEMBERS: Dorothy Anthony, Evelyn Ekard, James Hancock, and Sallymae Wilson.

Left Rear: Miss Fisher, Williamson, Sieton, Wilson. Front: Anthony Kastenbaum, Ekard, Dusher, Gulotta, Morton, Tominellie. Right: Tappe, Scone, Golden, Miller, Johnson, Wilkin, Packard, Wolter, Anderson, Mower.

One of the initiation stunts used by the French club this year required that several candidates remove their shoes. These shoes were then mixed up and the resulting predicament was as shown; Robert Wilkin, Dorothy Williamson, and Pen Moore endeavor to fit the right shoes on Gerry Miller, Janice Wolter, and Pat Packard.

At a meeting the Pan-American League, the Spanish students sang Spanish tunes. Among the singers were the following: (left to right) Joyce Williams, Margery Franklin, Margaret Allen, Evelyn Van Steenburgh, and Bill Jackson. Margaret Allen (center) also gave report on the government of Argentina, its people, and customs.

Front Row (left): Budd, Henderson, Rosenberg, Bartling, Hogan, Stanley, Gustafson, Williams, Pyke, Scheldrup, Pitschke. Second Row: Knight, Merritt, Shellenberger, Mason, Pickering, Hagerty, Ladik, Scone, Van Steenburgh, Carmichael, Robinson, Fairhead. Third Row: Miss Fisher, Forbes, Doran, Franklin, Root, MacGaffey, Betty Kelley, Gruner, Dickett, Friels, Witte, Ashley, Allen, Ross, Wright, Donaldson, Wolfram.

"Stand By, America"

PAN-AMERICAN LEAGUE. SIGNIFICANCE OF NAME: a club of all the Americas to better relationships among the republics of the western hemisphere. ADVISER: Miss Isabel Fisher. MEETING PLACE: Room 220 on the second and fourth Mondays of the month.***FOUNDERS: The club began five years ago at Rockford Senior high school under the sponsorship of its present adviser. PURPOSE: to acquaint the members with the Pan-American countries.***CLUB PIN: outlines of North and South America joined together with a torch extending from the top. Its colors are blue and gold; its round shape suggesting unity. MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS: For the most part, the membership consists of students studying Spanish. The knowledge of Spanish, however, is not compulsory.***DELEGATIONS SENT: to the state convention of Pan-American Leagues at Quicy, Illinois last year: Joan Root, Peggy Bartling, Owen Pollard, Phyllis Pickering, Carl Gustafson, Kenneth Vaughn, Arline Gruner, Andrew O'Guin, David Meier, and Duane Foster; to the National Pan-American League convention at Akron, Ohio: Joan Root, Carl Gustafson, Kenneth Crandal.***FIRST SEMESTER OFFICERS: Carl Gustafson, president; Betty Stanley, vice-president; Janet Hogan, secretary; Peggy Bartling, treasurer. PERSONNEL OF AN ACTIVE COMMITTEE: group in charge of the taffy-apple sale, Sally Hagerty, chairman; program committee of which Betty Stanley is chairman. OUTSTANDING CLUB MEMBERS: Besides all those mentioned above, Eugenie Wright, June Boettcher, Clifford Wylie, Betsy Scone, Margery Franklin, Jane Merritt, and Evelyn Van Steenburgh.

"Latin Moods"

LATIN CLUB. Miss Ann Driebusch, ADVISER. MEETING PLACE: Room 221 on the second and fourth Mondays of every month. HISTORY: originated by Mrs. Julia Shafer Chrystle, former head of the foreign language department at Rockford Senior high school, and transferred to West High in September, 1940. PURPOSE: to create a greater interest in Latin as a language to be studied; aims to educate members and to serve the school. ***CLUB PIN: Although there has been no Latin club pin until the present time, work on the selection of the emblem began this year. REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP: to have studied Latin and the desire to pursue it further.***OUTSIDE CONNECTIONS: Members voted to join the Junior Classical Society of Illinois, headed by Monticello College at Alton, Illinois. The society holds two annual meetings to which delegates may be sent. POINTS SYSTEM: points given to members serving as officers and working on committees. When members have earned ten points, they may order a club pin, the design of which was under consideration during the year.***UNUSUAL MEETINGS: movies taken in Italy and shown at a club meeting by a member, Richard Johnson; a field trip to Chicago, visiting such places of interest as the Field Museum, the Art Institute, or the Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago.***FIRST SEMESTER OFFICERS: Barbara Ralston, president; Barbara Conklin, secretary and treasurer; Joe Bryan, program chairman. OUTSTANDING CLUB MEMBERS: Frank Gagliano, Jeanette Caldwell, and Don Carpenter.

First Row (left): Stump, Cate, Forsaith, Duffus, Franklin, Anderson, Breckenridge. Second Row: Dusber, Hallock, Unmacht, Douglas, Ross, Berg, Bailey. Third Row: McDonald, Leary, Deetz, Ingrassia, Messer, Hammond, Reno. Fourth Row: Curtis, Carlstadt, Ramberg, Rodgers, Morgan, Chapman, McElheney. Standing: Ralston, (presiding); Caldwell, Bryan, Conklin, Miss Driebusch, Gagliano, Westerman, Carpenter.

The Latin Club presented a "Double or Nothing" show at one of the club meetings in which members of the group participated. Frank Gagliano (left), served as timekeeper. Don Carpenter (seated) kept the score and paid the winners while Joe Bryan questioned Joan Hamer.

The annual Tri-Y-Hi-Y banquet was held on November 3 at the Y.W.C.A. when the Tri-Y members were hostesses to the boys of the Hi-Y. Shown above are (left to right) Pat Owens, Jean Brown, Luella Brown, and Arlene Gruner as they worked on the plans for this banquet.

First Row: (left to right) Brown, Coleman, Knodle, Korff, Unmacht, Hough, Benjamin, Carlson, Gridley, Messer, Carlson, Johnson, Mrs. Vincent and Miss Mary Schwartz. Second Row: Pearsall, Grear, Root, Eklund, L. Brown, Garner, Stutsman, Foster, Gardiner, Black, Plummer, Pagel. Third Row: Roberts, Douglas, Mulford, Burrows, Russell, Howard, Ralston, Hibbits, Gruner, Owens, Sorby, Schwanke, Stiles.

"Life's Meaning"

TRI-Y. SIGNIFICANCE OF NAME: the "Y" in Tri-Y refers to the YWCA or Young Women's Christian Association; the "tri" signifies the unity of the sophomore, junior, and senior members.***ADVISERS: Miss Barbara Murray, YWCA adviser; Miss Mary Schwartz, Girl Reserve secretary; Mrs. Bertha Vincent, a West High faculty member who sponsors the club's activities in connection with the school. MEETING PLACE: the YWCA building on South Madison Street every third Wednesday evening at 7:00 P.M. PURPOSE: aims for service, as the members constitute a junior group of the YWCA, aids the girls in realizing their ambitions by maintaining the ideals of Christian living. REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP: to be a girl of high school age attending school in Rockford.***SPECIAL AWARDS: a ring ceremony held in the spring when outstanding senior members who have completed three years of Tri-Y work are presented with a Girl Reserve ring. ACTIVITIES: numerous dances sponsored particularly after football and basketball games; joint banquets with the East Tri-Y and the Hi-Y are also held as well as hayrides, sleighrides, and informal parties.***FIRST SEMESTER OFFICERS: Jerry Lu Johnson, president; Joyce Carlson, vice-president; Betty Messer, secretary; Jean Gridley, treasurer. PERSONNEL OF AN ACTIVE COMMITTEE: the program committee consisting of Arlene Gruner, chairman; Luella Brown, Barbara Pagel, and Maryedith Howard. OUTSTANDING CLUB MEMBERS: Muriel Sorby, Barbara Kelley, Betty Kelley, Joan Ralston, Shirley Gardiner, Wanda Black, Sylvia Douglas, Phyllis Russell, Phyllis Coleman, including the officers and committeemen.

"Road of Life"

WEST HI-Y. SIGNIFICANCE OF NAME: appropriate contraction of "West High School" and "Young Men's Christian Association." ADVISER: Mr. H. Keith Cady. MEETING PLACE: the Little Theater on alternate Thursday evenings. ***FOUNDERS: The Hi-Y is a junior organization within the YMCA which was founded in Albany, New York, in 1900. PURPOSE: to create, maintain, and extend throughout the school and community high standards of Christian character. CLUB SLOGAN: "Clean living, clean speech, clean scholarship." CLUB PIN: triangular in shape: one side for mind, one for body, one for spirit; the white cross symbolic of their leader, Jesus Christ.***MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS: a written application signed by three teachers besides the home room teacher, and an interest in the betterment of self and school. FORMAL INDUCTION: Five robed members conduct a simple but serious ceremony centered about lighted candles and a huge Hi-Y emblem.***UNUSUAL PROGRAMS: a fellowship night at which the boys played basketball and participated in other sports in the boys' gymnasium; a talk on "Old Salem" by Mr. Paul Conklin, County Superintendent of Schools. ACTIVITIES SPONSORED: Hi-Y-Tri-Y banquet, annual spring party.***FIRST SEMESTER COUNCIL OF FIVE: Joseph Olson, William Prothero, Benny Bennett, Gerald Raasch, and Paul Traum. PERSONNEL OF AN ACTIVE COMMITTEE: the council of five hold equal positions as the main active committee; Richard McGinnis, chairman of the induction ceremony. OUTSTANDING CLUB MEMBERS: Bill Trefz, Richard McGinnis, Vernie Lindstrom, Joe Olson, Bill Prothero, and Benny Bennett.

Front Row (standing, left): Mr. Cady, McGinnis, Prothero, Bennett, Trefz, Olson. Second Row: Glenny, Leatherby, Shricker, Hancock, Lindstrom, Wiley. Third Row: Leatherby, Rodgers, Perkins, Green, Snively, Lindroth, Fairhead. Fourth Row: Shattuck, Makulec, Martinson, Vinet, Williams, Wylie, Logan, Lang. Fifth Row: Nelson, Garner, Hogg, Raasch, Coffaro, Brophy, Smith, Skeels. Sixth Row: Falgout, Traum, Johnson, White, Stringer, Hyer, Picken, Bradley, Brooks, Gibler, Inhoff.

The first Hi-Y fellowship meeting of the year was held in the boy's auxilliary gym. Engaged in a game of table tennis are (left) Tommy Green, Warren Skeels, (right) Kenneth White, and Chad Brooks. Watching the game are Gordon Logan, Benny Bennett, J. T. Garner, James Snively, and Vernie Lindstrom.

A hallowe'en dramatization of "Tam Lin", a play taken from an old Chinese ballad, was given by the members of the Curtain club. Playing the title role was Bill Cratty with Camilla Ingrassia enacting the part of Janet. Properties, costuming, and direction were taken care of by the other members of the club.

Front Row: Betty Kelley, Hibbits, Root, Bartling, Grear, Plummer, George Safady. Second Row: Olson, LaRosa, Thomas, J. Johnson, Stiles, Robertson, Suttie, Pedlow, Burris, Kilsberg, Ingrassia, Williams, Roser. Third Row: Miss Pearson, Miss Geddes, Pollard, Buchanan, Kopf, MacGaffey, Franklin, Prothero, Ramberg, Shattuck, Rasmussen. Around microphone: DeMarco, Fuca, Gruner, Kriechbaum, Horner, Olson.

"Footlight Echoes"

CURTAIN. SIGNIFICANCE OF NAME: a dramatics club, hence a reference to the stage. ADVISERS: Miss Elizabeth Pearson and Miss Pearl Geddes. MEETING PLACE: Little Theater on the first and third Thursdays of the month.*** FOUNDERS: a carry-over of the Walter Hampden Club, a dramatics group at Rockford High School. PURPOSE: Members are acquainted with the fine points of acting and then put these points into practice by presenting plays at the club meetings; also aims for service, education, and entertainment. REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP: an interest in dramatic activities such as acting, costuming, and directing. UNUSUAL PROGRAMS: A fifteen-minute radio script entitled "The Autocrat of the Breakfast Table" and presented by club members over the loudspeaking system; a hallowe'en play called "Tam Lin", an old Chinese legend based on superstition and presented to the club at the last meeting in October. OTHER ACTIVITIES: a sale later in the year to secure funds.***FIRST SEMETERS OFFICERS: Jerry Lu Johnson, president: Margery Franklin, vice-president; Nancy Williams, secretary; Kathryn Ramberg, treasurer. PERSONNEL OF AN ACTIVE COMMITTEE: the program committee composed of Bill Glenny, chairman; Val DeMarco, Camilla Ingrassia, Mary Ellen Stutsman, and Bill Trefz. This group arranges plays, selects participants, and types the necessary scripts. OUTSTANDING CLUB MEMBERS: In addition to the officers and committee members, LaDora Grear, Joanne Root, Bill Prothero, Joyce Plummer, Richard Shattuck, Dorothy Hibbitts, Barbara Ohlson, Dick Buchanan, Owen Pollard, Arlene Gruner, Peggy Bartling, and Joe Olson.

"With The Classics"

ABL. SIGNIFICANCE OF NAME: Admiratrices Des Belles Lettres or Admirers of Beautiful Literature. ADVISER: Miss Elsie Beatty. MEETING PLACE: Room 102 on the first and third Tuesdays of every month.***FOUNDERS: Developed in 1921 from a club originally interested in both athletics and literature when the literary group formed the ABL. PURPOSE: Service, education, and entertainment. CLUB PIN: A shield bearing the letters "ABL" and an open book which is a symbol of good literature.***MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS: An "A" or "B" average in English throughout high school and recommendation by a teacher of English. FORMAL INTRODUCTION: at a banquet given by the old members at the beginning of each semester, all new members form a semi-circle, carry lighted candles, and repeat the club pledge after the club president.***SPECIAL AWARDS: A bronze plaque presented annually to an outstanding senior member of ABL who meets the qualifications of character, leadership, and service. SERVICES RENDERED TO SCHOOL: A yearly gift to the school, the 1941 token having been the new plaque. ACTIVITIES SPONSORED: A taffy-apple sale held last fall and a semi-formal dance later in the year.***FIRST SEMESTER OFFICERS: Barbara Ralston, president; Alice Whitehead, vice-president; Pat Owens, secretary; Marajean Pedlow, treasurer. PERSONNEL OF AN ACTIVE COMMITTEE: Florence Shaver, and Nancy Williams, program chairman. OUTSTANDING MEMBERS: In addition to officers and committeemen are Elisabeth Barkey, June Sanders, Dorothy Steneck, Marion Swanstrom, Shirley Gardiner, Martha Jean Crawford, Betsy Stone and Lois Tappe.

Seated: Miss Beatty, Sanders, Hibbitts, Steneck, Pedlow, Schmeling, Block, Gardiner, Burris, Swantrom, Holly, Williams, Gaziano, Stanley, Hafey, Owens, Ramberg, Shaver, Barkey. Standing: Black, Barber, Dusher, Picken, Kreuter, Lindstrom, Root, J. Johnson, Crawford, Caldwell, Dirksen, Durbrow, Lyddon, Shelden, Hagerty, Anthony, Deppen (with candle), Whitehead (presiding).

Seen here recommending books to some A.B.L. Club members is Miss Edith Van Duzer (center) with (left to right) Mary Ellen Stutsman, Lucy Goetz, Sue Shellenberger, Helen Laucius, and Barbara Ralston. "Books for Vacation Reading" was the theme of Miss Van Duzer's talk, and she mentioned many new books now found in the public library.

At each meeting the Forum club presents speakers who discuss an important question of the day. The topic under discussion at this meeting was "Should Newspaper and Magazine Propaganda Be Curtailed?" Edward Falgout acted as chairman. Barbara Conklin and Barbara Holly spoke on the affirmative while Kendall Bates and Paul Traum took the negative view.

Speakers: Knight, Wiley, Olson (standing), Richards. Front Row: Hancock, Van Steenburgh, Deetz, Glenny, Williams, Garst. Second Row: Hogg, Holly, Reno, Jones, DiPuma, St. John, Caldwell. Third Row: Garner, Conklin, Traum, Falgout, Tappe, Cobb, Miss Carlson, Mr. Miller.

"What's Your Opinion?"

FORUM. SIGNIFICANCE OF NAME: the holding of meetings for open discussion of problems. ADVISER: Miss Mary Carlson, Mr. Howard Miller. MEETING PLACE: Room 316 on every other Tuesday alternating with the ABL Club.***FOUNDERS: devolved from the Book Club of Rockford Senior high school. Under the direction of Miss Lois Dilley it was made into a general discussion group as the Book club overlapped somewhat with the ABL. PURPOSE: to train the club members in the technique of calm, dispassionate, discussion.***REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP: recommendation by an English or a Social Science teacher, an interest in current problems, and willingness to participate in the discussion of live issues. FORMAL INDUCTION: At the conclusion of the informal initiation ceremonies, new members take pledge to support the club activities.***SPECIAL ACTIVITIES: a panel of five members sent to last year's annual meeting of the Illinois Association of English teachers where they presented a typical discussion of a topic of literary interest. FIRST SEMESTER OFFICERS: Roger Reno, president; Bob Hogg, vice-president; Nancy Williams, secretary; Margaret Shelden, treasurer.***PERSONNEL OF AN ACTIVE COMMITTEE: program committee consisting of Lois Tappe and J. T. Garner, advised by Mr. Miller, which plans discussions and secures participants. OUTSTANDING CLUB MEMBERS: Besides officers and committee members, Marshall Wiley, Harry Richards, Jim Hancock, Warren Glenny, Victor Olson, Paul Traum, Jeanette Caldwell, Barbara Conklin, and Barbara Holly.

"Excursions In Mathematics"

EUCLIDIAN CIRCLE: SIGNIFICANCE OF NAME: a namesake of Euclid, the famous Greek mathematician. ADVISER: Miss Katherine Slade. MEETING PLACE: Room 304 alternate Mondays at 3:40 P. M.***FOUNDERS: Miss Slade, head of the Mathematics department, and students in February, 1941. PURPOSE: a better foundation in mathematics for its members as well as furnishing a social group. ***REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP: to have studied Algebra for one year with an average grade of "C" or better. UNUSUAL MEETINGS: the initiation of new members at the beginning of the year at which the candidates were put through rigid antics before being formally received; a tale on "Bridges" by Bob Hogg, a member; a discussion of graphs by another member, Roger Garst. During the first semester Miss Slade served as program chairman, but a student chairman was elected for the second semester. A customary activity at the close of each meeting is the assigning of a problem in some phase of mathematics to be solved before the next meeting. ACTIVITIES SPONSORED: a candy sale and an afternoon dance late in the year.***FIRST SEMESTER OFFICERS: Marshall Wiley, president; Gordon Smith, secretary; Virginia Burris, treasurer. PERSONNEL OF AN ACTIVE COMMITTEE: the initiation committee fo the first semester activity with Gordon Smith acting as chairman assisted by Bob Hogg and Richard McGinnis. OUTSTANDING MEMBERS: Barbara Conklin, James Hancock, Betty McDonald, Bill Trefz, Roger Garst, Bob Janson, Vernie Lindstrom, Joe Bryan, and Rowland Smith.

Front Row (left): Caldwell, Carlstadt, Thornbloom, Smith, Hobart, McDonald, Reno. Second Row: Conklin, Westerman, Piccione, Gardiner, Block, Gale, Marovich, Satre, Perkins, Raap. Third Row: Burris, Smith, Wiley, Hogg, Makulec, Lindstrom, McGinnis, Olson, Trefz, Larsen, Garst, Miller, Charles, Pfieffer, Kowalick, R. Smith, Eby, Jackson, Fairhead, Bryan, Miss Slade.

One of the newer clubs is the Euclidian Circle. At the initiation meetings new members who had been tied securely tried to loosen themselves. Edward Makulec and Bill Trefz seem to be tangled up, but Joan Carlstedt and Betty MacDonald are succeeding in freeing themselves aided by Marshall Wiley who stands behind encouraging the teams.

Carmen Orchard of Chili, a fellowship student at Rockford College, addressed the 8-5-3 Club at one of their meetings this year. Her talk dealt with the customs and characteristics of the Chilean people. After the program Nancy Williams, Dorothy Hibbitts, Bob Hogg, and Marian Reiman questioned Miss Orchard further concerning her native home.

Front Row: (left) Nicholas, St. John, Johnston, Bradley, Smith, Hancock, Glenny, Miss Whiting, Miss Ollman. Second Row: Shumway, Root, Grear, Dey, McGinnis, Knight, Olson, Holly, Shattuck. Standing at left: Williams, Ralston, Floden, Hibbitts, Early, Hogg (at desk).

"The World Today"

8-5-3. SIGNIFICANCE OF NAME: 8-5-3 stands for the alphabetical positions of the beginning letters of the words history, economics, and civics. ADVISERS: Miss Edith Whiting, and Miss Maxine Ollman.***FOUNDERS: organized in 1922 by the faculty and students of the social science department of the Rockford High School. PURPOSE: aims for service to the school, also the education and entertainment of its members.***MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS: to be studying some social science subject in the regular school curriculum. FORMAL INDUCTION: An oath is administered by the club president to the new members.***TRADITIONAL ACTIVITIES: a Christmas party held for the members at which contributions are made for a charity Christmas basket; to sponsor a mock election at school during a national election. UNUSUAL PROGRAMS: a Chilean girl from Rockford College spoke; a community chest program including human interest stories of various organizations. OTHER ACTIVITIES SPONSORED: an ice cream sale the first semester, an afternoon party during the second half of the year.***FIRST SEMESTER OFFICERS: Bob Hogg, president; Gordon Early, vice-president; Jill Floden, secretary; Joan Ralston, treasurer. PERSONNEL OF AN ACTIVE COMMITTEE: the program committee consisting of Marian Reiman, Dorothy Hibbitts, and Nancy Williams; refreshment chairman, Norman Hollenbeck. OUTSTANDING MEMBERS: In addition to the officers and committee members mentioned above, Dick McGinnis, Dick Shattuck, Lucy Goetz, Helen Durbrow, Barbara Holly, JoAnn Kasper, Bill Prothero, Jim Hancock, Warren Glenny, and LaDora Grear.

"Show Window"

COMMERCIA. SIGNIFICANCE OF NAME: pertaining to all commercial subjects and the activities connected with them. ADVISERS: Miss Irene Kirby and Miss Elizabeth Kieffer. MEETING PLACE: Room 201 on alternate Monday nights. FOUNDERS: a continuation of the Commercia club of Rockford Senior high school.***PURPOSE: to further interest in shorthand, typing, bookkeeping and retail selling; to bring students in the commercial department closer together in friendly meetings; to uphold the qualities for which the letters of the name stand: character, orderliness, manner, memory, reliability, cooperation, initiative, and accuracy. REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP: to be enrolled in at least one commercial subject. CLUB PIN: a small black, white, and gold shield with the word "commercial" placed diagonally across its face. ***UNUSUAL PROGRAMS: a talk by Mr. Harry Kroll, employment director, entitled "Opportunities Derived from Commercial Classes"; a movie concerning the telephone, personal interviews with club members, a field trip to Chicago visiting places of commercial interest. OTHER ACTIVITIES: an afternoon party, a homemade candy sale, an ice cream sale to secure more funds.***FIRST SEMESTER OFFICERS: Kathryn Ramberg, president; Phyllis Lupo, vice-president; Nancy O'Brien, secretary; Pat Owens, treasurer; Ann Frisella, program chairman. PERSONNEL OF AN ACTIVE COMMITTEE: the candy sale committee with Nancy Lindstrom acting as chairman assisted by Florence Shaver, Virginia Polstra, Betty Pease, Dorothy Padon, Flora Jane Crawford, Ruth Reilly, and Parthena Ramsey.

Front Row: (left) Lindstrom (at machine), Padon, Deppen, Goomas, Carlson, Born, Ramsey, Reilly, Varble, Stutsman, Altenburg. Back Row Miss Kirby, Stavros, Damon, Nelson, Quist, McFadden, Price, Crandall, Wessels, McCoy, Goldy, Shaver, Polstra, Bails, O'Brien, Hafey, Ramberg, Toomey, Swann, Wolf, Pontius, Babbitt, Allen, Miss Kieffer.

A film of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company titled "The Voice of Mr. X" was presented at a Commercia club meeting. A representative of the company, Mr. Charles J. Faye, is shown demonstarting the Voice Mirror Machine to Pete Stavros while Barbara Hensley, Lorraine Hobbs, Mary Lawrence, Josephine Castellisi, and Carmella Catanese "listen in".

Ushers for the home basketball games are members of the "R" Club who were active on the football team. Shown here giving instructions to the staff of ushers is Gilbert Rickert, club president. Among those being instructed are James Hancock, Bill Messer, Alfonso Cassaro, Howard Gronlund, Vernon Inhoff, Bob Tooley, Tom Clift, Harry Stephenson, Bill Gedko, Kenneth White, Gordon Logan, John Picken, and Bob Hogg.

First Row (left to right): Hogg, White, Logan, Picken, Johnson, Cave. Second Row: Hough, Gronlund, Clark, Gregory, Schultz. Third Row: Cuppini, Gustafson, Hunt, Tooley, Hancock. Fourth Row: Stephenson, Seaman, Clift, Smith, Crowley, Rickert (presiding).

"Sportsmen's Huddle"

"R" CLUB. SIGNIFICANCE OF NAME: "R" taken from the letter award given to athletes. ADVISER: Mr. Milo Willson. MEETING PLACE: the Boys' gym or thereabouts twice monthly.***FOUNDERS: organized by Mr. Lundahl, Mr. Beyer, Mr. James Laude, and Mr. Clarence Muhl, all of whom were coaches in Rockford senior high school at the time. As the club grew under the direction of Mr. Lundahl, other schools in the conference realized the benefits of such a group and soon organized similar letter clubs. Thus the "R" Club was the incentive for a number of organizations of this kind within the conference.***PURPOSE: aims for service to the school entertainment for all boys participating in athletics who have been recipients of letters. An underlying but important duty of the club members is to encourage and help their fellow athletes. Before a boy is qualified to compete in any athletic contest, he must have had an eligibility card signed by his teachers indicating that his classwork is satisfactory. If a boy fails in a subject or in some other way becomes ineligible, it is the duty of the other members to help and encourage him until he finally succeeds.***REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP: to have been awarded an athletic letter for football, basketball, tennis, swimming, golf, or track in the position of varsity or Sophomore player, manager, or cheerleader. These awards are made by the coaches during special assemblies at the close of the season for various sports.

"All-Star Varieties"

HIGHER GOAL: Although membership in the "R" Club itself is an honor, the highest recognition in the athletic field is election to the National Athletic Honor Society. Members of this organization are chosen at the end of each semester. Those boys who were elected last year and have returned this year are Joe Cuppini, Jerry Eklund, William Messer, Kenneth White, Alphonso Cassaro, John Picken and Stuart Rasmussen, football players who were elected at the end of the first semester. Kent Moberg was elected in May, 1940 for outstanding work in tennis; Jim Hancock and Gordon Smith, tennis, and Robert Hogg, golf, were inducted in 1941. ***SCHOOL SERVICE RENDERED: Ushering at important events such as athletic contests and commencement. The boys endeavor to inspire the members of the student body to maintain high standards of sportsmanship in all of their activities. CLUB PINS: This year a new pin was decided upon. The new emblem bears the school colors, red and black, a black "R" and the words "West High."***RETURNING MEMBERS: Lettermen of last year who returned to the club are Tom Clift, Bill Messer, Bill Gedko, Don Reilly, Gordon Logan, Gilbert Rickert, and Stuart Rasmussen. Don Hunt, Mallory Mitchell, Gordon Johnson, Kent Moberg, and Dominic Tarquini also returned to complete their second year of membership.

First row: (left to right) Messer, Cassaro, Fiorenza, Gedko, Scott, Ollman. Second row: Eklund, Clikeman, Ross, Welch, Forbes. Third row: Dresser, Bradley, Lindroth, Vinet, DiMarzio, Mitchell. Fourth row: Verstynen, Inhoff, Long, Jackson, Elliott, Westfall, Coach Willson (presiding).

An annual activity of the "R" Club is their semi-formal dance which was held this year on Saturday, January 3, in the cafeteria. On the general committee for the dance were John Picken, Howard Gronlund, Gordon Logan, ticket chairman; and Gilbert Rickert, club president, who are shown as they worked out details for the affair. Decorations which were semi-patriotic furnished a setting for Bill Dobler's orchestra.

Martha Palmer, Sylvia Douglas, Mr. Guzzardo, and Richard Stanton, (upper left) members of the USO Victory Book Campaign committee are shown above as they packed the books received . . . Victor Olson, first place winner in the American Legion Speech contest is being congratulated by Betsy Scone, who also competed (upper right).

Jacqueline Arnold sells defense stamps to Charlotte Frink, Bill Trefz, and Dick Thorne . . . (lower right) Mr. Eugene Hubbell, and Mr. Arthur Brand demonstrate signalling equipment to Phillip Smith, Paul Driesbach, and Bob Horner . . . Athletic Board of Control (bottom) includes Editha Dusher, Mr. Batesole, Mr. Wyeth, Mr. Beyer, Mr. Blue, Gordon Smith, Gordon Logan, John Picken, and Mr. Lundahl.

"Talent"

The operetta given in 1941 by the combined singing groups was "The Chimes of Normandy" directed by Miss Hilda Humphreys. In the leading roles were Marion Quizley as Germaine, (second row, left), Stuart Rasmussen as Count Henri, Janice Wolter as Serpolette, and Richard Shattuck as Grenicheux. A part of the chorus is shown in the first row as they appeared in costume at the performance.

First row: Franklin, Allen, Safady, George, Kopf, Cook, Williams, Lenius. Second row: Johnson, Grear, Ellis, Bails, Cotta, Revell, Yagle, Bigalow, Smith. Third row: O'Connor, J. Wolter, Retsinas, Lee, Hollenbeck, Hawn, Vallee, Morgan, Carafotias, Dal Nogare. Fourth row: Sarver, Gustafson, R. Wolters, Swift, Gale, Block, MacGaffey, Earngey, Wilson, Reum. Fifth row: Kwass, Carlson, Williamson, Beauchamp, Seiter, Souvestke, Di Puma. Stanton Hyer at the piano; Miss Humphreys directing.

"Music of the Masters"

The ability to sing in true pitch, to sight read music, and a sincere interest in music are the specific requirements for membership in the Girls Glee club which is directed by Miss Hilda Humphreys. Each applicant must appear for a try-out before the director at which time her voice is classified as to the part she will sing. The purpose of the club is in conjunction with the requirements for membership as it offers an opportunity for girls to study and sing choral music and to learn to blend their voices as well as develop their individual vocal talent. * * * A gold scroll of music with the letters WHS meaning West High School on black enamel is the pin worn by members of this group which meets the sixth hour on Mondays and Wednesdays in the choral room. A selected group of these girls meets sixth hour on Friday with chosen members of the Boys Glee club to form the Mixed Glee club. * * * Available for school performances, the girls sing at baccalaureate services in June and also participate in the annual spring music festival. During the Yuletide season the group takes part in Christmas assemblies and pass through the corridors singing familiar carols. Considered as its most outstanding program of the year, the Girls Glee club joins the Boys Glee in presenting the annual operetta. * * * The first semester officers were Janice Wolter, president; Georgia Retsinas, vice-president; and Suzanne Kwass, secretary and treasurer. Among the outstanding members of the club are Nitza Retsinas, Rae Gale, Carol Sarver, Beryl Gustafson, Jerry Lu Johnson, Virginia Morgan, and Frances Carafotias.

"Men's Voices in Song"

The founder of the Boys Glee club, Miss Florence Ely, discovering that boys enjoyed singing male choral music, formed the first such group in 1921. The original club of Central high was divided last year into the East and West high clubs. The club, as its name implies, means "singing for pleasure", and its purpose is for singing the best choral literature. Meetings are held twice a week, on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the choral room sixth hour. The boys are usually available for public performance besides taking part in such activities as church programs and school affairs.***Requirements for membership in the group include a good voice, ability to stay on pitch, a reasonable amount of musical reading ability, a genuine desire to sing, a willingness to serve. The most important activity undertaken during the year by the club is their participation in the operetta.***In this year's operetta "Daniel Boone" leading parts were taken by Lem Bartholemee who played the leading role, Jim Slick, Bill Glenny, Robert Deuel, Rogers Finley, Stuart Rassmussen, Bob McDonald and Dick Thorne. The club is also active in the annual May music festival and baccalaureate service. ***The club's pin carrying out the musical theme is in the shape of a lyre on which are a few musical notes. The name "Boys' Glee" is engraved in the center.***Semester officers include Richard Shattuck, president; Stanton Hyer, vice-president; and Richard Buchanan, secretary-treasurer. Miss Hilda Humphreys the present director of the chorus considers Stanton Hyer the accompanist for the club. Dick Thorne, Thomas DiPuma, and Jim Slick as well as the officers are outstanding members of the club.***After membership in the club the boys are eligible for tryouts in competition for places in the A Cappella Choir.

First Row: Meore, Salisbury, Evans, Glenny, S. Hyer, Skridla, Ruskavage, Gallaher. Second Row: Shattuck, Buchanan, Finley, Monahan, McCullen, F. Hyer, Slick, Kerns, DiPuma, Miss Humphreys, (directing).

The Modern Madrigal Singers, a new musical group copied after the sixteenth century groups which gathered to sing for their own pleasure, are shown as they appear at their performances. Included in the picture are Georgia Retsinas, Nancy Gallagher, Gwen Gallagher, Virginia Morgan, Janice Wolter, Joan Willoughby, and June Boettcher, accompanist. Boy members of the group are Stuart Rassmussen, Bill Glenny, Richard McGinnis, Richard Shattuck, Lemuel Bartholomee, and Gene Knight.

"Band

To further the musical education of the boys and to serve the school and community musically is the purpose of the West High band directed by Mr. Allen Elmquist. To fulfill these aims the boys make an average of forty performances a year including Armistice Day and Navy Day parades, school assemblies, and their annual spring concert given by the combined East and West bands. In order to become a member of this organization a boy must possess certain musical ability plus a proper social attitude.

Personnel of the band includes: (first row) Bruneni, Smith, Martinson, Carpenter; (second row) Fillmore, Roe, Rheingans, Detlof, Luethje; (third row) Wilkins, Grietz, Delany, Curtis, Prioletta, Spataro, Miller, Field; (back row) Borst, Holloway, Jacob, Snively, Tooley, Glenny.

Parade"

On the calendar of social activities for the band members are a semi-formal dance, a banquet for past and present members, and, accompanied by their fathers, a week-end camping trip at Lake Ripley, Wisconsin. The band is encouraged and sometimes aided in additional equipment by the Band Dads Association. The band's officers for the first semester were Bill Glenny, president; Tracy Brost, vice-president; Jerry Eklund, secretary; Jack Brophy, treasurer; Bob Perkins, manager; and James Snively, drum major. Outstanding members are Gerald Raasch, Carl Barger, and Joe Bruneni.

Others participating in the band are (front row—left to right) Peters, Thomas, Faith, Brophy; (second row) Hunt, Roe, Castelli, Montalbano, Reese, Perkins, Eklund; (third row) Clark, Clift, Barger, Blomberg, Paterik, Goldy, Swann, Lillje, Raasch; (back row) Foster, Mr. Elmquist, Markin, Kelly, Perrett, and Bartholomee.

"Concert

The ability to play a musical instrument for both solo and group is the main requirement for membership in the West High Orchestra, directed by Mr. June Bornor. The responsibility of the section leadership is awarded to the most capable musicians. Upon graduation members are presented with gold medals in recognition of three-year service. To give every musician an opportunity to gain orchestral experience as well as to cultivate the ability of each individual to play the best in musical literature is the purpose of the orchestra.

Members of the orchestra include: (front row) R. Nelson, R. Williams, Wood, Smith, Hendricks, Lee; (second row) Brightup, Corbridge; N. Williams, Stiles, Hand, Knight, Shumway; (third row) Early, Capace, Black, Kelly; (fourth row) Steneck, Carlson, Nelson, Jones, Railton, Berg, Sanders, Garner, Haddad, Long, Swanberg; (fifth row) Kasper, Jansen, Hyzer, LaLoggia, Kelley, Lidell, Molander, Falconer, Eby.

Hour"

The orchestra presents an annual spring concert combined with the East High Orchestra as well as an assembly, accompaniment for the operetta, music during the class plays, and performances at the Northwestern Division of the State Teacher's Association. Another annual event, the orchestra banquet and dance, is usually a costume party, last year's being a pirate affair. The officers for the first semester were Gordon Logan, president; George Bradley, vice-president; Clara Lou Stiles, secretary; and Warren Duclon, treasurer, J. T. Garner and Barbara Kelley served as librarians.

Additional members of the orchestra are (first row) Ramberg, Legge, Hartman, Anderson; (second row) Bradley, Duclon, Smith, Bendes, Wolters, Young, Houseknecht; (third row) Giambruno, Caldwell, Coretz, Ramberg; (fourth row) Johnson, Logan, Gennaro, Roberts, Kronnemeyer, Hyland, Mulford, Sowles, Kilsberg; (fifth row) Mr. Bornor, Schmeling, Whitson, Bryan, Mower, Kent, Clark, Castree, Gable, Spooner, Thorne.

Each year several members of the West high musical groups are chosen to represent the school in the All-State Chorus, at Urbana, made up of outstanding members of choral groups throughout Illinois. Shown here are this year's representatives, Janet Smith, Dorothy Hibbits, Gene Knight, Richard Shattuck, and Lemuel Bartholomee, with Miss Humphreys, who accompanied them to the University of Illinois.

First Row: Lawrence, Retsinas, Willoughby, Stustman, Hibbits, Deetz, Sanders, Richards, B. Fry, Miss Humphreys. Second Row: Tessmer, Arnold, Bowton, Seiter, Hartley, Pearsall, Robinson, Coleman, Elrick, G. Gallagher, N. Gallagher. Third Row: Gregory, Gustafson, Rassmussen, Glenny, G. Knight, Harman, May, Busch, Gould, J. Fry, Golden, Kreichbaum. Fourth Row: S. Knight, Carmichael, Milroy, Driesbach, Carter, Deuel, Bartholomee, MacDonald, McGinnis, Cleveland, Tudor.

"Words and Music"

Originally meaning "in a small chapel" and therefore being composed entirely for church services, the word A Cappella has come to stand for any singing without accompaniment. It now includes folk and secular songs. At present, meeting each day in the choral room with Miss Humphreys as director, the club originally was founded at Central high. A new type of induction, used this semester for the first time, was the formal candlelight service, which followed a pot-luck supper.***Activities during the year include the annual concert and participation in the May music festival, the baccalaureate program, the National Honor Society induction, presentation of selections at churches and other public gatherings. Outstanding programs given during the year were the vesper service at the Court Street Methodist church, the annual concert, and a combined East-West choir which gave a program for the Mendelssohn club.***The club emblem, which typifies the club's purpose to sing the best of unaccompanied choral literature, is a scroll of music inscribed with the club's initials and with a "W" guards.***Members of A Cappella must first have proved themselves proficient in other branches of the departments. After tryouts, they may be accepted by the choir. First semester officers for the club were: Richard McGinnis, president; Stuart Rassmussen, vice-president; Janet Smith, secretary, Marjorie Deetz, treasurer; and Jeanette Fry, librarian.***Outstanding members of the club besides the officers are June Boettcher, the accompanist, Lem Bartholomee, Wilbur Cleveland, Gwen Gallagher, Beryl Gustafson, Bill Harman, Dorothy Hibbits, Gene Knight, Nancy Gallagher, Georgia Retsinas, Joan Willoughby, Suzanne Sanders, Bill Glenny, and Carol Hartley.

"At Your Service"

To give students an opportunity to aid the administration in the conduct of the school is the purpose of the West High student council, the representatives of which are elected by their home room members. At the council meetings, which are held in the Little Theater on the first and last Friday mornings of every month at 8:30. The members discuss the various problems which arise in managing school affairs. Each representative presents this problem to his home room where it is discussed freely, and then he reports the discussion at the following student council gathering. Here the opinions of the student body aid in the solution of the problem. The faculty is represented by Mr. Lundahl, assistant principal who acts as adviser of the group. ***Sponsoring the annual Christmas basket program is considered by the group as its most important service during the year. This program, conducted by council members in their respective home rooms, includes the collection of the student's donations and the preparation for distribution of the baskets to needy families of Rockford. This service organization also collects other charity donations, such as Red Cross and various war relief funds. Supervising the fall parade and rally which precedes the East-West football game is also among the student council's activities.***Social affairs, too, are on the calendar of events for the student council as last year they sponsored two afternoon parties, one being a mixer, and the other a dance.*** The officers for this year were Jacqueline Arnold, president; Bill Gustafson, vice-president; Lucy Goetz, secretary, and Gerard Lafond, treasurer.

First Row: Jones, Clark, Bohlender, Bellone, Logan, Alis, Pollard, Fasula, Taylor, Van Cura, Raasch. Second Row: Brain, J. Retsinas, Gable, Detlof, Castree, Marino, DeCori, Mower, Crecenzo, Stringer, Bartling, Trefz, Heath, Hartman, Smith. Third Row: Kindell, Laaker, Carpenter, Seaman, Watson, Wylie, Stanton, Tassoni, McDonald, Carmichael, Gruner, Munson, Burris; N. Retsinas, Beauchamp, Dusher, Hogan. Standing at left: Lafond, Arnold, Gustafson, Goetz, Mr. Lundahl (adviser).

Miss Camilla Johnson is shown here discussing with Bill Gustafson, Jacqueline Arnold, and Lucy Goetz, members of the Student Council executive committee, plans for a Junior Red Cross drive at West High. A total of one hundred and eighty dollars was collected during the drive. In addition a Red Cross First Aid course has been introduced into the senior boys and girls gym classes.

PUBLICATIONS

...Radio's Ally

To publish news concerning school and its varied activities is the purpose of the Owl which derives its name from that wise bird which takes in every thing. To please a thousand subscribers every week is no little assignment and requires the workers to possess a willingness to work plus the ability and interest in journalism. Owl shaped pins are presented to the active workers. Those staff members who are outstanding scholastically as well are inducted into the Quill and Scroll society at the annual banquet.***Accompanied by Miss Katharine Obye, the faculty adviser for publications, members of the staff this year attended the University of Illinois conference and also the Big Eight press conference held at East Aurora High School.***Pictured at the upper left is Marajean Pedlow, a feature writer who is preparing copy while Benny Bennett, sports editor, and Chad Brooks, editor of the Owl, prepare the layout for the printer.

Certain events of minor importance as news stories may be converted into feature stories. These may be of various types and subjects such as human interest stories, humorous articles, or interviews. Often research work is required when writing a story of this type as it adds to the interest. Pictured at center left are Margaret Sheldon and Evelyn Schwanke, feature story writers for the Owl, who are searching for feature material. ***Each reporter is assigned by the editor a certain "beat" to cover each week. From these news sources he gathers the material for the next issue. This must be written and copy-read. When the galley proofs return from the printer the stories must again be corrected and the layout made. Lucy Goetz, reporter, is shown preparing copy for the Owl as Helen Durbrow, also a reporter, types an assignment.***The Owl is financed partially by advertising which must be solicited and written by staff members. Copies of each issue are sent to the advertisers and statements must also be made out and mailed. Kendall Bates, Paul Traum, advertising manager, Jerry Sinnett, and Betty Lois Stanley, members of the advertising staff are shown as they made the advertising layout for an issue of the Owl.***As a subscription promoter, the publications occasionally put on a special assembly for which subscribers are given huest tickets. The speaker at one of these assemblies was Mr. Joseph Ellis, a world traveler. Art Mason and Virginia Carlson, Owl reporters are pictured at bottom left as they examined a picture taken of this event. ***Making a bow every Friday morning is the circulation staff whose duty it is to fold the papers on Thursday evening and to furnish each subscriber with a copy of the Owl. Pictured at the bottom right are Frank Rowley, business manager, who moved to Joliet in February, Helen Laucius, Harry Richards, circulation Manager, Genevieve Tomenellie and Phyllis Fors. Frank is passing out the senior service ballots which were distributed that morning.

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PUBLICATIONS

...Radio's Ally

Progressing through the year with school life the Annual records permanently all phases of school activities. Pictured therein are classroom work, club meetings, extra-curricular activities maintained by the school, and the achievements of its students. In step with the times it has developed since 1892 from a small paper pamphlet to a full sized book.***Long hours of work are required of the writing staff to prepart the photographs, copy, and dummy pages for printing while the business staff must labor in financing the book through student sales and in soliciting advertising. Work on the Annual is begun early in the first semester and continues uninterrupted until the distribution of the book late in the spring.***The executive staff of the present Annual, shown at the upper left as they examined a dummy page, includes James Hancock, senior section editor; Norman Hollenbeck, junior section editor; Richard Shattuck, Annual editor, and Elisabeth Barkey, Associate editor.

The activity section includes pictures and write-ups of the extra activities offered by the school. These outside activities provide an opportunity for students to further their various interests such as music, journalism, and debate. Shown at the center left are Peggy Bartling, department editor, who is preparing a picture write-up as Jerry Lu Johnson checks the corresponding photographs to identifications and subject matter.***Many students are required to work in the various departments of the Annual. Circulation, bookkeeping, and typing are only a few of the tasks to be done daily. Each write-up must be typed in preparation for the printer while pictures are checked before they go to the engravers. Ruth Wolf is pictured (above right) as she counted the number of subscribers while Shirley Cain as Annual typist, was trying another write-up. ***Each picture must be checked for imperfections, individuals must be identified, and the pictures assorted according to the subject matter. Writeups also require corrections. Errors in punctuation, and spelling must be rectified as well as the verification of facts which includes exact dates, names, and places. The writeups are then checked with the corresponding picture before their preparation for the printer. Angelina Gaziano, Roberta Lawrence, Jacqueline Arnold, and Barbara Ralston are pictured at lower left as they attended to these various tasks.***Pictured at the bottom left are Vernie Lindstrom, military section editor, and Gordon Smith, head of the tennis division, who are identifying picture while Paul Berg, sophomore editor, assorts photographs for his section.***The writeups for each activity in school is under the direction of a student interested in the same subject. Nick Guarino, who helped with school life section, Joan Ralston, director for GAA material, and Bill Glenny, who wrote up the swimming activities are shown at the bottom right as they examined a picture prepared for the engraver.

Opening the Big Eight debate conference at West high school was the East-West debate held on February 3. The members of the West high negative team, Marion Swanstrom and Roger Garst, are shown as they compared notes in preparation for the arguments with East high. Over three hundred students and teachers were present for this debate which was won by the West high team.

Left to right: Wiley, Garst, Swanstrom, Miss Scandroli, Reno.

"Round Table"

Resolved: that all able bodied male citizens should be required to serve one year of compulsory military training before attaining the present draft age was the subject debated by teams throughout the country this year. Eight students are usually taken to each tournament in which an average of fifteen schools participated.***In January the teams traveled to Mendota, Beloit, and DeKalb where practice tournaments were held. The Beloit debaters met the West high team in a return meet here. At these events in which the debaters were rated by their opponents, the West high affirmative team netted a total of two fair ratings, three good, two excellent. and one superior. The negative team received two fair ratings, four good, and two excellent The West affirmative team, composed of Marshall Wiley and Roger Garst, met the East negative team, which won the contest, at East high late in January. Early in February, however, West high avenged their defeat when the negative team, consisting of Marion Swanstrom and Roger Garst, debated the East affirmative team at West high. In the Big Eight debate conference which was held in February at Freeport, West high placed sixth.***In the Big Eight original and extemporaneous speech contest held at Elgin on February 20, Victor Olson placed third and Roger Garst fourth giving the team a total of seven points which tied for second place as the winning team netted only six points.***Victor Olson of West high placed in the American Legion county oratorical contest, in which competitors from East, Bishop Muldoon, and West high school were entered. Betsy Scone of West high also competed in this contest which was held in January. Roger Reno participated in the practice tournaments as a member of the first team but was not a debater in the conference debates.

"Speech Clinic"

Also under the guidance of Miss Lena Scandroli, the debate coach of West high, is the second team which this year was composed of Paul Berg, Jacqueline Major, Bill Waisner, Joe Martellari, and Richard Roe. These students spend several hours each day searching for data on the chosen subject in preparation for their arguments. Often this material is valuable enough to be passed on to members of the first team. In return the first team offers their points to the other debaters who build them up in their respective speeches. Each debater delivers his prepared argument before Miss Scandroli who suggests the necessary corrections in the speech itself and in the delivery.***A triangular debate was held at West high in January in which the second teams of East, West, and Freeport high school participated. Tournaments, such as this prepare these debaters for the following year as the first team of the next year will be selected from the secondary debaters of the present term. During this year the teams have participated in approximately sixty-two debates. ***The members of the teams do not limit themselves to debate activities alone. For example, Marion Swanstrom, a member of the West negative team, and Roger Garst, who debates on both negative and affirmative teams, entered the Elgin Speech Tournament in the original oratory division and the extemporaneous speaking contest respectively. Roger was also winner of last year's Junior oratorical contest in which Marion was also a contestant. Philip Nicolosi, a member of last year's first team placed first in the Senior Oratorical Contest. Entering the oratorical declamation contest of the Elgin Speech Tournament was Paul Berg, a member of the second team.

Left to right: Wiley, Berg, Major, Miss Scandroli, Marion Swanstrom, St. John, Martellaro, Westerman, Waisner, Reno, Roe, Garst.

In January five West high students traveled to Elgin, Illinois to compete in the Elgin Speech Tournament. Twenty-two Illinois and Indiana schools were entered in this tournament in which West high school placed fifth. Pictured at the left are the participants from West high; Victor Olson and Marion Swanstrom, original orators; Paul Berg, oratorical declamation; Roger Garst, extemporaneous speaking; and Pat Rosenberg, humorous reading.

"Time To Shine"

One of the main aims of the ROTC is to instruct in the correct fundamentals of rifle markmanship. The corps takes from its ranks those cadets who have a normal physique, average intelligence, good eyesight, the willingness to follow instructions exactly, the ability to relax physically, and determination. Range practice with practical application of all knowledge gained in preparatory training develops the cadets in this important art. The West High rifle team (upper left) looks on as their coach, Sergeant Smith, designated the fine points of rifle marksmanship. Top row: (left to right) Duclon, Hermanson, Wilkins, V. Lindstrom, Faith, McGinnis, Blomberg, Logan, Leibforth, Medernach. Front row: Sgt. Smith, Skeels, Ward, Trefz, Gennaro, A. Lindstrom, and G. Smith.

An important event on the ROTC calendar is Federal Inspection. Pictured are Richard Eichman, left, battalion commander, Colonel Pell, Lieutenant Colonel Raymond T. Edwards, inspecting officer, and Sergeant Smith who reviewed the battalion in study and drill.

Mr. Lundahl, assisted by Cadet Captains McGinnis and V. Lindstrom, and Lieutenant Ward, is pictured instructing the ROTC ushers in handling crowds with tact and courtesy at the football games. The ushers are (front row) Makulec, Bates, Smith, Koberg, Farell, H. Brown, and A. Lindstrom. Back row: Bale, Lindroth, Taylor, Peplos, Nicholas, Baker, Wallack, and Ahmer.

"Call To Arms"

Now, more than ever before, do armies need disciplined individual soldiers who will react properly to situations and orders. Three days of every school week, young men in ROTC are being trained to give America's fast growing war forces the finest future leadership material in the world. They acquire the mental alertness, tactical skill, and physical stamina necessary to prepare any youth for future life. Wearing their newly instituted garrison caps are the commissioned officers for the fall semester; (top row) cadet lieutenants Lindroth, V. Olson, Nagus, Johnston, Logan, Vinet, Ward, and Scott. Front Row: Sergeant Smith, Lieutenant J. Olson, Cadet Captains Lindstrom and McGinnis, Major Trefz, Captain Martinson, Lieutenants Bradley and Green, and Captain Adjutant Brophy.

Representing the major and captains are the fall semester sponsors: Marajean Pedlow, adjutant; Jacqueline Arnold, Battalion; Mary Odorski, Company D; Marjorie Deetz, Company F; Flora Stanbery, Company E. These girls are present at important ROTC events.

An important event of the ROTC year is the annual federal inspection to determine the ratings of the sixth corps area schools. Last year's inspection occurred at Huffman Park. Among the cadets taking part are shown, executing close order drill, Bill Seitz (left), Lindsay Towns, and George Taylor (extreme right).

"March of Time"

The West High Cadet Corps has adopted an emblem of red, yellow, and black that is worn on the left sleeve of the uniform. To distinguish it from East high school, the letters WEST are printed between the wings of the eagle. The semi-annual competitive drill is a very important event to ROTC cadets. At this time the companies, platoons, and individual cadets compete with one another for honors. During the Spring Competitive drill, Company E was judged best company, the first platoon of Company F won best platoon, and Karl Bietau was selected as best captain. In this picture, a platoon of Company D, commanded by Lieutenant George Bradley, is completing the drill.

The winning platoon at the Spring Competitive drill was the first platoon of Company F. In the picture the honor platoon is shown during the drill. Among the cadets that comprise this platoon are Lawrence Doherty, Philip Smith, Paul Driesbach, Fred Larson, Virgil McCallen, Art Mason, and Karl Wheat.

After the drill had been completed the cadets lined up for a drink of water. Those waiting in line are (left to right) Don McElheny, Ray Pugh, Howard LaFond, Robert Weatherly, and Jack Meuller.

"Passing Parade"

The commissioned officers for the Spring Semester announced by Colonel Pell as follows: (front row left to right) Lieutenant William Ward, Personnel Adjutant; Lieutenant George Nagus, Captain Vernie Lindstrom, Captain Donald Martinson, Major Robert Hogg, Captain Richard McGinnis, Lieutenant George Bradley, Lieutenant Joe Olson, and Captain Adjutant, Harry Lindroth. (Second row, left to right) Lieutenant Victor Olson, Lieutenant Gordon Early, Lieutenant George Taylor, Lieutenant Richard Shattuck, Lieutenant Richard Johnston, Lieutenant Edward Westbrook, Lieutenant Warren Skeels, Range Officer; Lieutenant Warren Duclon, Lieutenant James Hancock, Records Officer; and Lieutenant William Knight. These officers were selected because of their leadership and ability to instruct underclassmen in the close and extended order drill.

Each semester the captains and major choose sponsors to represent them at special ROTC events. The girls selected as sponsors for the spring semester (lower left) Jane Curtis, Company C; Jane Lace, Company A; Pat Owens, Battalion Sponsor; Marcia Norton, Adjutant Sponsor; and Gretchen Philips, Company B.

For each Competitive Drill, three officers from the Reserve Corps are asked to be the judges. In lower right picture, Major Gordon Hammond, Rockford, Sergeant Smith, and two other, out of town judges, are adding up points preparatory to announcing winners.

Shown above are (left) Coach John Wyeth, coach of West High's sophomore football team, (center) Milo Willson, varsity football coach, and (right) Robert Dennis, who acted as assistant coach to Coach Willson. These three men worked constantly throughout the entire season to develop two superior West High football teams.

"Football Flashes"

Pictured (left to right, standing) are Frank Rumore, Raymond Juhlin, Lawrence Parrot, Ed Rodgers, Don Hunt, Bob Tooley, Bill Furseth, Jerry Eklund, Ed Volsch, Richard Johnson, Jack Faith, Bruce Livingston, Anthony Sparacino, Tony Giambruno, Walter Westfall, Bill Gibler, Lindsey Towns, George Taylor, Jack Waffle, and Alfred Scott, manager. Kneeling are Coach Willson, Howard Gronlund, Stuart Rasmussen, Guy Massetti, Gilbert Rickert, Gordon Logan, Charles Watson, John Picken, Edward Williford, Dominic Tarquini, Bill Gedko, John McCrudden, and Assistant Coach Dennis. Front row are Don Reilly, Carl DeMars, Kent Moberg, Bill Messer, Alfonso Cassarro, Joe Cuppini, Eldon Elliott, Ken White, Gordon Johnson, Bill Gustafson, Dan Salvi.

Varsity Schedule and Scores

		Rockford	Opponents
September 19	Moline	6	0
September 26	Freeport	0	6
October 3	Joliet	7	12
October 10	West Aurora	13	0
October 17	Gary, Indiana	6	6
October 24	East Rockford	32	0
October 31	Elgin	Canceled	
November 7	East Aurora	18	0

Sophomore Schedule and Scores

		Rockford	Opponents
September 19	Winnebago	6	13
September 26	Freeport	6	0
October 3	Joliet	7	6
October 10	West Aurora	7	14
October 24	East Rockford	0	19
October 31	Elgin	Canceled	
November 7	East Aurora	0	18

"Sports Resume"

Livingston, White, Rickert, Cassarro, and Williford, pictured directly below, were among the conferences heaviest and toughest tackles.***McCrudden, halfback, Gedko, fullback, Cuppini, center, and Gronlund, halfback are shown in the lower picture, ready for action. These players were active in most of the games and displayed a fine fighting spirit throughout the season.

Five of West High's hardest hitting players are pictured above in characteristic poses. They are left to right Giambruno, guard, De Mars, halfback, Massetti, end, Gustafson, quarterback, and Westfall, center. Given many opportunities to play against tough teams, the players showed their ability by developing into real hindrances to the opposing team.

"Man to Man Sports"

One of the outstanding features of West's 1941 football season was the second East-West grid combat. The two teams met on the grounds of Beyer stadium, and, in the game that followed, West overcame East with the startling lopsided score of 32-0. This immediately brought to mind the previous year's East-West game in which East was the victor, defeating West by a score of 6-2. Especially active in last year's games were Moberg, end; Johnson, quarterback; Picken, guard; Logan, guard; and Reilly, fullback; who are shown below. Picken and Logan, both members of last year's team too, were selected co-captains at the end of the season by their team mates.

"Commentator's Forum"

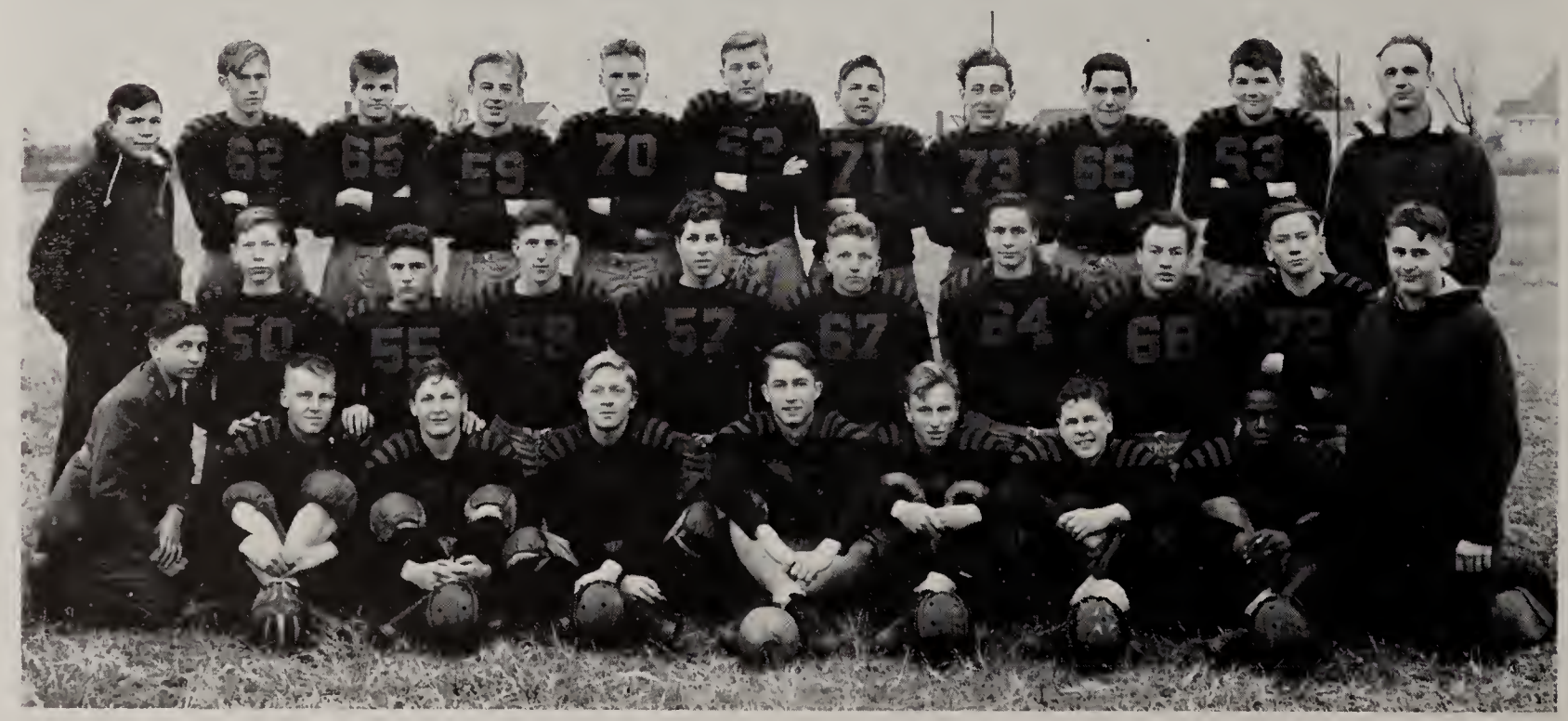
The West high football team, scheduled to play nine games, was held to seven due to the cancellation of two conference games. The first, with Elgin, was cancelled because of rain and the second, scheduled with La Salle, Peru, had to be cancelled because of the enforced economic vacation. The game, scheduled for November 14 was called off on account of school's closing November 7; and, because of this lack of completion of the schedule, Rockford was declared out of the conference running. The first game of the season with Moline revealed the spectacular running of John McCrudlen and ended with a Rockford victory of 6-0. At Freeport, Rockford led by the hard charging of Gordon Logan, was defeated 6-0 by a very long pass from Pinnow to Belle. In the game with Joliet, Gedko showed tremendous power in line plunges, but, even after outplaying the opposing team, Rockford was defeated by score of 12-7. Coach Willson, seeing a need for more speed and longer runs tried a single wing back formation, and it was this new plan that defeated West Aurora, leading contender for the Big Eight crown, by a score of 13-0. The next game with Emerson high of Gary, Indiana, boasting one of the most powerful teams in nearby states, started the first interstate competition. The hard playing of ends Tarquini and Massetti stood out in this game, which West held to a 6-6 tie. Remembering last year's defeat by East high, this year's team went out and took the city title from East by a victory of 32-0. The defensive and offensive playing of tackles Rickert and Williford gave the opposition much trouble in gaining on line plays. The next, and last, game of the season was with East Aurora and definitely proved the effectiveness of Coach Willson's new formations and plays with a 18-0 victory for West. The game, played in a mixture of cold wind, rain and mud, proved to be a fitting close to West's 1941 football season, a season filled with upsets, sensational plays, disappointments, and an uncompleted schedule, leaving Rockford out of the conference running.

Elliot, tackle, Messer, tackle, Watson, center, Tarquini, halfback, and "Red" Rasmussen, quarterback, were among Coach Willson's most valuable men. All but Eliot were veterans from last year and played to the best of their ability. Hough, halfback; Gianoli, quarterback; Inhoff, guard; Rosenthal, halfback; and Clark, halfback, members of the sophomore squad, are shown below.

West high's sophomore squad, coached by John Wyeth, who succeeded Coach Sam Tracy upon his resignation, played a season full of grid upsets and interruptions. This year the team played a total of six games, winning two. Volsch, end; Campbell, tackle; Slick, fullback; Brantingham, fullback; and Luethje, end, are pictured above, ready for action.

"Prep Sports"

Pictured below is the 1941 sophomore football squad. Left to right, top row, are Jack Dooley, manager; Ed Volsch, Dick Dresser, Wendell Golden, Al Schalf, Jack Luethje, Gene Long, Chuck Crowley, Don Seaman, Bill Campbell, and Coach Wyeth. Second row, Bob Cotta, Sam Bellone, Jim Gianoli, Harry Branca, Jim Slick, Bob Clark, Jasper Fiorenza, Dale Bowers, Harry Stephenson, manager. Third row, left to right, Page Reece, manager, Bob Dean, Jim Rosenthal, Walt Brantingham, Vernon Inhoff, John Hough, Bob Carmichael. Coach Wyeth, new sophomore football coach, came to Rockford from Pectone, Illinois, where he coached basketball and football for two years.



Varsity Standing in Conference
(not official)

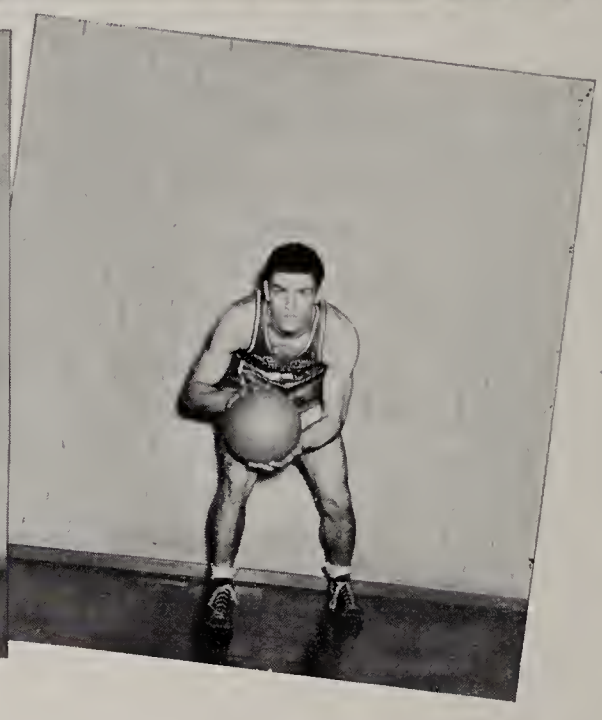
	Won-Lost	Per Cent	Scores	Opponents
Joliet	5-0	1.000	149	113
Elgin	4-1	.800	116	152
Freeport	3-1	.750	158	109
W. Rockford	2-3	.667	86	87
E. Rockford	1-2	.333	90	92
E. Aurora	1-4	.200	151	169
W. Aurora	1-4	.200	150	173
La Salle Peru	0-4	.000	101	146

Sophomore Standing in Conference
(not official)

	Won-Lost	Per Cent	Scores	Opponents
Freeport	4-0	1.000	106	77
W. Aurora	4-1	.800	143	120
La Salle Peru	2-2	.500	108	100
Elgin	2-3	.400	140	114
E. Aurora	2-3	.400	136	150
Joliet	2-3	.400	120	139
W. Rockford	1-2	.333	60	86
E. Rockford	0-3	.000	60	87

"Football Parade"

Dresser and Bowers, ends; Seaman, center; and Crowley and Fiorenza, tackles; pictured below, were invaluable players to Coach Wyeth. Given many opportunities to show their abilities, the boys boosted both the morale and the scores. Shown in the bottom picture are Long, tackle; Schuldt, guard; Branca, end; Carmichael, halfback; and Bellone, quarterback.



In the action shot (top row, left) Dan Salvi goes in for a West High two-pointer. Coach John Wyeth, (top center) was beckoned by Uncle Sam to stand by, ready to don a service uniform. Wyeth, coach of sophomore football, also, who came to Rockford with six years of coaching experience behind him, built up a fairly successful basketball squad. Top right photo gives a nice view of Vaughn skirting around left end. Returning letterman Dan Salvi (bottom center) hopes to improve his one hand push shot, which he uses to great advantage in his guard position. Because of his consistency in accurate ball handling and his brilliant defensive work, Joe Cuppini, (bottom left) proved himself invaluable to the squad's attack. Loss of Guy "Moose" Massetti, (bottom right) in any game always slowed up West's attack.

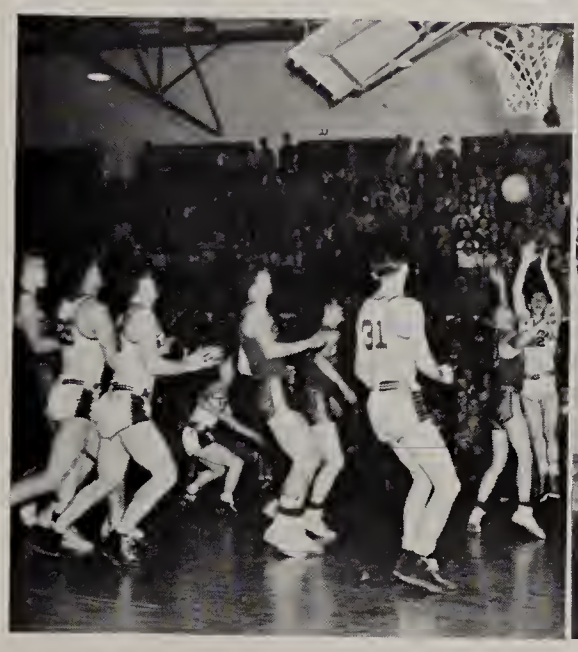
"Basketball Highlights"

The 1942 varsity cagers, coached by their new mentor, John Wyeth, a graduate of Eastern State Teachers College, started off on the right foot this season, winning the first two conference games. Despite their two-month lay-off, the varsity scored two early upsets over conference foes, West Aurora, 32-30, and La Salle-Peru, 34-31. The Rabs then dropped a thriller to Joliet, 26-20 and took a tough one on the chin as Freeport squeezed out a 40-37 win. Traveling to Oak Park the next night, West encountered a lanky team of fast break artists who swept through a 45-28 non-conference victory.

"Sports Edition"

On February 6, the Varsity cagemen scored a 43-41 upset over the league-leading Elgin five. Clashing with East Rockford, the West-siders took a 34-18 half-time lead, but met a tough defense in the last half. Loss of three players weakened West, leaving them on the short end of a 55-43 decision. At La Salle Peru, the Rabs held the Cavaliers in the last stanza to force them into an overtime period in which the Red and Blacks emerged victors, 35-30. West then held in check the determined East Aurora five, by holding them for a 40-37 win.

Returning cageman John McCrudden (top row, left) a most promising athlete, excelled in sinking shots from all angles to rank third in conference scoring. Graduating senior Kenny Vaughn, (center) a high scoring guard, turned in excellent performances game after game. McCrudden and Vaughn, elected at the end of the season by their fellow squad members as co-captains, proved to be two of Coach Wyeth's most valuable players. Although about the smallest player in conference competition, Don Dresser, (top row, right) employed cleverness and skill to become a menace to all opponents. In the bottom row (left) shot, "Mac" lets go another bucket. The camera freezes Joe Cuppini's beautiful rebound, (bottom, right). In the squad picture below are (left to right, fourth row) Lindroth, manager, Johnson, Alis, Tarquini, Vince, Bradley, manager; (third row) Clark, DiMarzio, Massetti, Bagdonas; (second row) Salvi, Vaughn, McCrudden, Cuppini; (first row) Lundeen, Bagdon, Dresser.



Upper left action photo shows Carlson of East and Massetti of West in the jump at the East-West game. Holding the ball with which his fighting cagers defeated Freeport, Coach Wyeth (upper center) recalls, to his two squad managers, George Bradley and Harry Lindroth, the victory which gave West third place in the conference. In the action shot (upper right) it's McCrudden dribbling in for a shot. Although kept out of action the first few games because of a bad ankle, Frank Bagdon (bottom row, left) star of last year's Sophomore team, proved to be valuable to the Rabs. Not eligible until mid-semester, Frank "Chico" Vinci, (center) showed up very nicely with his ball handling ability in his concluding year at West High. Seeing little action at first, senior Robert "Red" Lundeen (bottom right) helped pull a tilt out of the hot coals and won a job as a dependable first-class reserve.

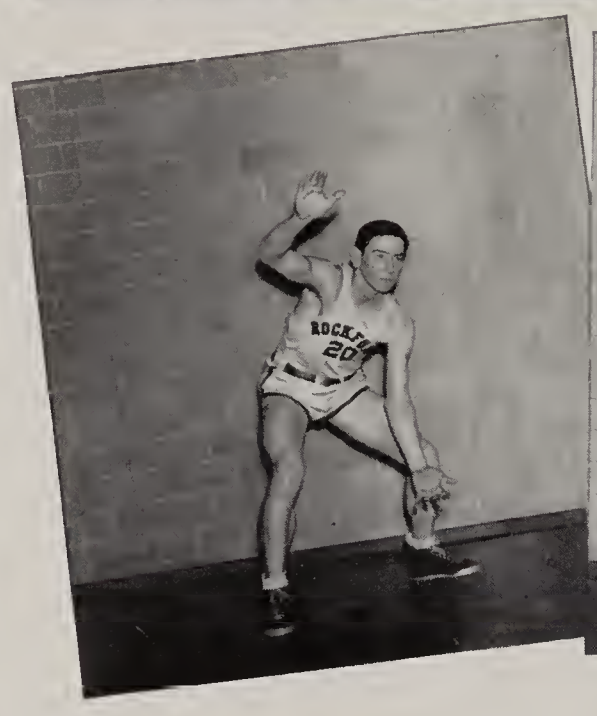
"Interesting Neighbors"

The following night the Rabs piled up a 23-17 half-time lead over the Freeport conference champions, but in the middle of the fourth quarter, the lead started jockeying back and forth; however, West, had the final word over a last minute basket and a free throw for a 39-38 victory. Traveling next to Sterling, the fellows came from behind in the last quarter, to score another win, 41-37. Harlem was West's next victim with a 48-26 count to the varsity's fighting five. In the regionals at Freeport, Orangeville was drawn as West's opening for tournament play.

"Victory Parade"

At the end of the game the score stood 49-15. The Rabs then dropped in 43 points to Lena's 20 in their second tournament game. This left West Rockford and Freeport the remaining teams in the Freeport regionals. The Pretzels, who were out to avenge the setback handed them two weeks before, turned on the steam, that was to net them third in the State prep basketball championship play, to produce a 54-32 triumph. West concluded their season against East high in the sectionals at East, with a 51-41 defeat.

John DiMarzio (top row, left) who has a full season left, gave the Rabs extra power with his valuable shooting and noteworthy defensive work. For his set up shots and wise judgment in ball handling, DiMarzio was well-liked. Returning letterman Dominic Tarquini, (center) a valuable asset with his sharp eye and coolness, fought hard every second of every minute he played. "Tark" has a half year of Varsity basketball left. Completing his final year at West High, John Alis, (right) gave his all for West, turning in beautiful performances at the center post. A swisher by Massetti is pictured in the action shot, (bottom row, left). Depicting their aim at all times, Alis, Vinci, Vaughn, Lundeen, Cuppini, Salvi, and Tarquini (left to right, center) form the popular "V" for Victory. In the action shot, (lower right) Cuppini climbs into the air for a pot shot.



In the above action shot (left) Volsch sinks a swisher. In the upper middle picture are (left to right) the reserves; (first row) B. Dresser, Straznikas, Hough; (second row) Boyle, manager; Brantingham, Vinet, manager; Armato, Beattie, manager; (third row) Sjuminski, Henriksen, Stringer, Cotta. The Sophomore managers, an important part of the team in boosting morale and spirit, are shown discussing a forth-coming game (upper right). They are (left to right) Bob Beattie, Pierre Vinet, and Walter Boyle. High scoring Dale Bowers (bottom left) proved vital to the Rablet Attack with his excellent shooting ability and speed. Ed Volsch, (center) alternate center and forward, used his height to best advantage, pouring in valuable buckets when most needed. For his notworthy shooting, Tony Massetti (bottom right) merited the admiration of the fans and his fellow teammates. Dale Bowers and Ed Volsch, two of Coach Milo Willson's most valuable forwards, were elected co-captains by their fellow team members at the end of the basketball season.

"Sporting Spotlite"

The Sophomores were not so fortunate as the Varsity in their first conference games. In the second year of lightweight competition in the Big Eight, the Sophs, lacking experience and practice, lost contests at West Aurora, 29-16 and to LaSalle-Peru 34-19. The Rablets broke into the victory column with a 25-23 win over Joliet. At Freeport, the minors dropped a lose thriller to the league leaders, 32-31. The team hit a snag at Oak Park the next night as the Parkers outpointed the Rockfordettes, 27-24.

"Sport-o-gram"

During the second East-West game, each team had an equal lease on the lead. West, however, put in a last minute bucket for an overtime period, outpointing East for a 31-24. The minors after taking one from Elgin, 36-29, dropped a decision to the La Salle cagers, 34-22. With a good crop of reliable reserves from the Junior highs, the Rablets were easily able to sweep through four victories, entering the season with wins over East Aurora, 51-15, Freeport 32-11, Sterling 38-18, and Harlem 42-17.

Gathering as much experience as he could before the mid-season graduations, Bill Jackson, (top row, left) regretted leaving the squad. Harry Branca, (center) who was usually in the midst of scrambles on the hardwood proved to be of high caliber with his shooting ability and good defensive work. Mid-semester Jack Luethje, (right) was always ready to capably relieve Volsch of his duties at center. Dick Dresser (bottom row, left) gained much valuable experience in his initial season at West through his noteworthy passing a mid-season graduate from Roosevelt, Jack Beatson (right) bolstered the Sophs with his sharp eye and cool playing. The regulars in the bottom center picture are (left to right, first row) Bowers, Volsch, Massetti; (second row) D. Dresser, Mariani, Conley; (third row) Beatson, Branca, Coach Wilson, Jackson, Rinaldo. Coming over from Washington, Benny Rinaldo (left in lower right picture) employed cleverness and experience to great advantage. Frank Mariani, who entered mid-year, was a great asset to the team.

"Turf News"

(Upper left) Wayne Otto, West, sprints for finish line. (Upper right) Dominic DiMarzio jumps a low hurdle. (center) Mr. Milton Vaughn, official, assigns hurdlers their running positions. (Lower left) Tom Clift goes up and over to complete a successful pole vault.

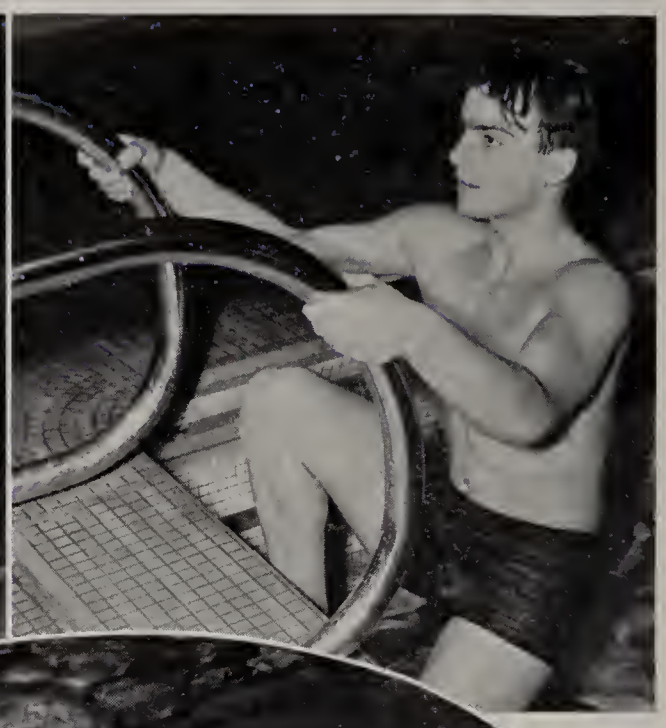
During the 1941 season West Rockford track team completed the year with a record of four victories and three seconds out of ten meets. For the fifth consecutive year Rockford won the District Meet. This feat automatically qualified them for the State Meet. West Rockford terminated a string of ten consecutive victories by finishing third in the Conference Track and Field Meet.

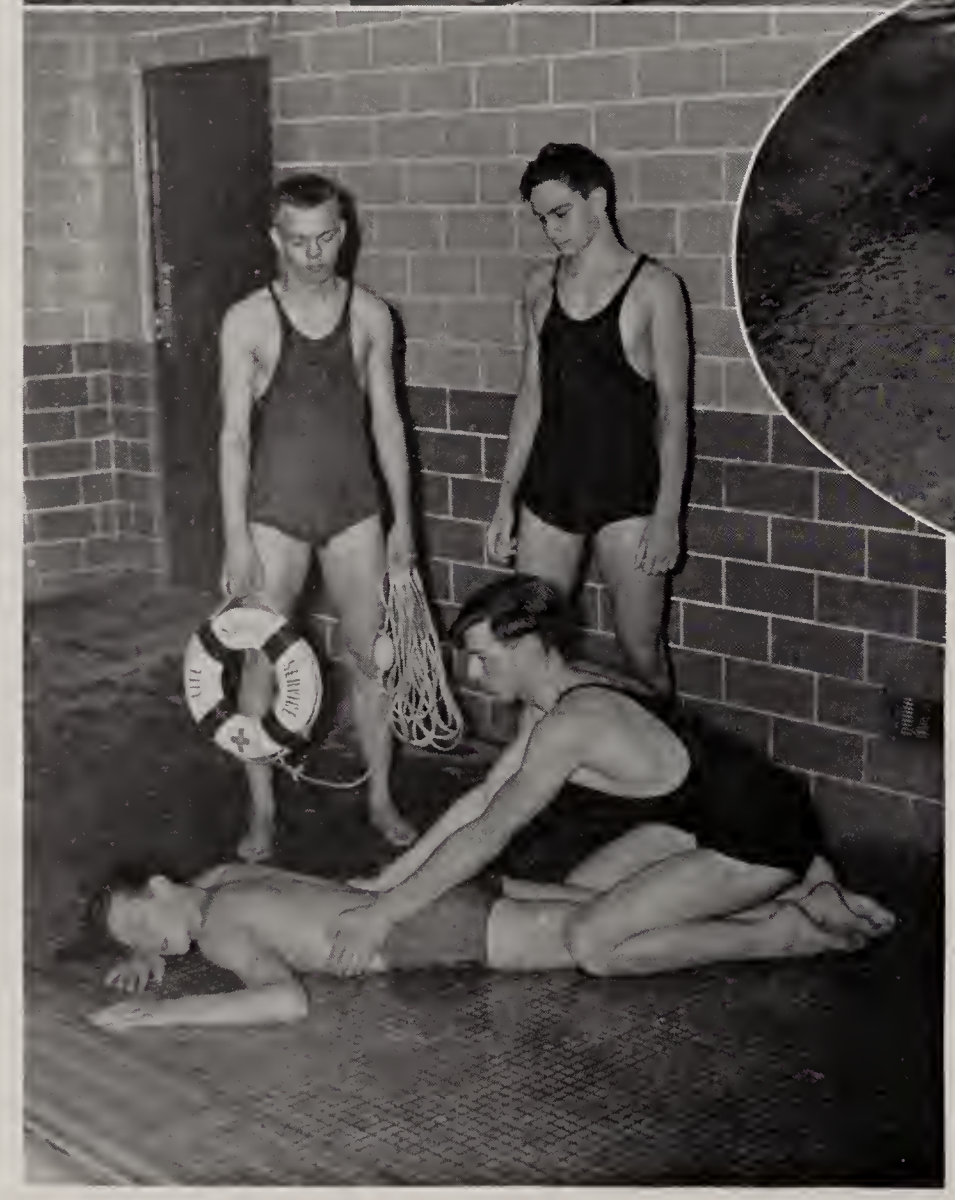
"Race Results"

Upper right) Conference Quarter-mile begins. (Upper left) Bob Hoar, West, commences pole vault. (Center) Mr. Lundahl, (extreme right) and Lowell Spurgeon, (center right) act as officials. (Lower right) John DiMarzio executes the shot put.

Among the track events of West that are placed in the victory column are the defeats of our cross-town rivals, East High, and Freeport. West High School, led by Captain Wayne Otto, defeated Freeport by a score of 83-30. The team successfully completed the year by trouncing East High opponents, 88-25.

"Sports in Rhyme"





(Top right) Dave Welsh exits from pool after a short workout. (Top left) Co-captains Jack Inhoff (left) and Lambert Verstynen, seniors, are shown poised for a start. Both swimmers are experts in their class. (Above) George Forbes, swimming the butterfly breast stroke, takes his workout. Members of the life-saving class, Melvin Martin and Dave Mower, demonstrate artificial respiration while Bill Gustafson and Bob Clark look on.

The season's scores were: West 37, Joliet 26; West 30, LaSalle-Peru 45; West 34, East 41; West 48, Janesville 35; (triangular meet) West 18, Oak Park 53, East 19; West 39, LaSalle-Peru 36; West 16, New Trier 59; West 22, Maine Township 53; (conference meet) West 22, LaSalle-Peru 32, East Rockford 28, Joliet 22; West 36, East 39.

"Sports Review"

(Top left) Harry Clark and John Gregory are demonstrating the life-saving chin carry. (Top right) John Brearley and Werner Rapp take start for a fast race. (Above) Dave Bonham takes to the air with a swan dive. Coach Charles A. Beyer's tank squad of 1941-42 were (left to right, back row) Coach Beyer, John Ross, student manager and 1942 Pentathlon winner; Verstynen, free styler; Rapp, back stroker; Gustafson, free styler; Gregory, 200-yard free styler; George Easton, free styler; (center row) Bonham, diver; Clyde Carpenter, back stroker; Inhoff, free styler; Martin, free styler; Richard Johnson, free styler; (front row) Welsh, 200-yard free styler; Brearley, backstroker; Mower, free styler; Clark, free styler; Bob Clark, free styler.

Returning this year to bolster the West high golf squad is John Gregory (above left) winner of a minor letter last year.***West lost a sure winner in Gordon Hammond, Jr. as he is now attending school in Columbus, Georgia. Individual winner of the Northern district championship and pace maker on West's State champion golf team, Gordon lost only one point last season.***At center (above) Jerry Bowman, East captain, and Mac Kelley of East speculate on a play. At the East-West meet two East players and Ray Nihan of West pause to tally their scores.***(Upper right) Ray Nihan and Jack Powell of West look on as Jerry Bowman putts.

"For Men Only"

Winning six out of seven meets last season, the West high golf team kept up the phenomenal record of having won 43 out of 45 meets since 1935. The team placed high in the State tournament held at the North Municipal Golf Links, Peoria, with Captain Bob Rosecrance (above center) placing first, after shooting a sub par 35 to win a nine hole play off from Herb Chambers of Bloomington. West high's golf team also copped the district golf crown for the seventh consecutive year in which Gordon Hammond, Jr., won top honors and Rosecrance took second.***On June 11, West's State championship golf team traveled to Baraboo, Wisconsin to play the Wisconsin state golf champs. Each team compiled six points, leaving the Badger and Sucker states on equal terms in state golf honors. The ratings of the golf team were irregular throughout the year except for Rosecrance, Harry Forbes, Benny Yastrab, Ray Nihan, and Hammond, who held down the first five, in the order named, throughout the year.

"Net News"

Coached by Milo Willson, the tennis team came out on top in the 1941 season, winning four meets, losing two, tieing one, placing second in the district meet held here May 3, and losing by one point to West Aurora in the Big Eight meet held there.

Captain Don Carter ended his high school career by winning the Big Eight and district singles titles, and came through the season without losing a match. Kent Moberg, Burnie Bailey, and Dick Cutting were the other graduating members of the tennis team, all of them helping with both the singles and doubles matches.

Gordon Smith (lower left) and Jim Hancock (upper right), the returning lettermen, with Benny Bennett (upper left) and Bob Fairhead formed the nucleus of this year's team, bolstered by some of last year's sophomores. Last year matches were won from Beloit, East, Rochelle, and Woodstock 6-2, 4-2, 4-2, 6-1 respectively; matches lost were East, 5-1, Beloit, 5-4, and Woodstock tied, 3-3. This season Rockford was host to the Big Eight and District meets. John Wyeth, the 1942 tennis coach, is shown (lower center) demonstrating the proper grip of a tennis racket to Edward Rodgers, Bob Perkins, and Sam Maggio, three candidates for the team. Kent Moberg and Gordon Smith of West are shown (upper center) shaking hands with Harold Minnihan and Ted Mason of Dixon whom they defeated in the 1941 district meet here.

Sophomore members of the Girls Athletic Association who meet on Wednesday after school enjoyed their basketball season as can be seen by these two representatives (upper left) Mary Knight, shooting, and Janet Cadwell, who is aptly guarding her.***The girls who are voted by their fellow GAA members to act as their captain for the semester are outstanding in leadership and willing to carry added responsibility. This year's captains who have been capable and dependable are (standing) Sanders, Tassoni, Floden, Vause; (kneeling) Knight, Ross, and (seated) De Cori.***A scene where a jump ball is caught in action at a sophomore GAA basketball game includes: (left to right) Cadwell, Forsaith (jumping) and student assistant Carlson acting as referee.

"Keep Fit Corps"

Basketball, volleyball, and baseball are the games played in GAA.***From left to right (below) an expert at basketball and an enthusiast in all sports, Genevieve Wallin, a player in many tournament games, has been a responsible girl with an unusually fine attitude.***Evelyn Schwanke, another senior, was always on the job and showed over the years, definite improvement in swimming.***A junior with eight semesters of work to her credit already, Pat Rosenburg is a good worker, and a capable swimmer and diver.***Elected as sports captain by her fellow seniors for the first semester, Augustina Tassoni has participated in both Sports and Swimming.***Joan Ralston, who joined the club in her junior year, and participated in Sports and Swimming for five semesters, was elected to several tournament teams during that time.

"Inside of Sports"

The inter-class tournaments are the crux of each game's season. Snapped by the cameraman in this picture (lower left) at the sophomore-junior volleyball battle are Polly Stone (foreground) and Elizabeth Carr keeping alert watch to prevent the sophomores from scoring.***In the photograph (center below) are seen some of the juniors who have been outstanding in GAA and have already completed several semesters of work in both Swimming and Sports. Those standing are Olson, Himert, Altenburg, Gazzino, and Behler; kneeling are Bailey, Trisch, Coretz, and Flood. Brightup and Lenius are seated.***Another tournament volleyball game (lower right) finds the seniors, Tracy and Ororski awaiting the return of the ball by sophomores Moehle, Luhman, DiPuma, and Allen.

From left to right (below) Ruth Carlson, a very active member of GAA is an industrious student assistant, and has ten semesters of credit.***A quiet and loyal member of GAA, Genevieve Tomenelli, because of her excellent attitude, was one of the few girls to receive her major letter after only four semesters of work.***Polly Stone, sophomore swimming captain, set the record last year by swimming one hundred and twenty-two lengths during the semester.***Particularly outstanding in sports, Marilyn Hudson has been elected to represent her class in all basketball, volleyball, and baseball tournament teams.***Another recipient of a major letter award, Marion Reiman, who has been enrolled in both Sports and Swimming, also played on various tournament teams.

As fellow teammates hoped for the best, (upper left) the cameraman caught Fulkenburg batting with Luhman doing an able job as catcher and Dickett and Di Puma fielding. ***Of the sophomores, juniors, and seniors, the second-year class has the largest enrollment; consequently, it is difficult to single out a few girls for unusual perseverance, good sportsmanship and dependability. In the picture (center above) are girls who have been recommended, including Michelon, Mulford, Munson, Moehle, (standing); Gentry, Hawn; S. Knight, Cobb (kneeling); and Michels and Peterson (seated).***A thrilling moment in any baseman's life is a close play such as pictured (upper right). Sophomore Moehle rounded home plate to be tagged by Sowles, catcher, as Dickett waits her turn to bat and Ashley fields.

"Sportman's Hour"

Left to right (below) Julie Barber has been a valuable member of the swimming team in her class as well as a conscientious sports enthusiast. Another prominent swimmer and outstanding player in tournaments is Jill Floden, who has been a dependable person in all activities.***Olive Cotta, with a high record in required swimming, has loyally attended GAA for eight semesters and played on a tournament volleyball team.***The girl deserving credit for color day sales is Gloria Thorpe, (right) who has some days sold three times as many as the others. She has her major letter for eight semesters in GAA. Josephine Szuminski who has been on several tournament teams can be commended for her sparkling enthusiasm in these games.

"Prep Shorts"

Miss Currier, adviser of all the GAA groups also supervises the sale of school colors. Every girl does her part in making the colors and selling them on the morning of an important game. Elizabeth Carr (seated left) and Doris Doyle are at work on the colors.***Being a student assistant takes many hours of extra work during vacant periods and after school. Center above are Elston and Cadwell (kneeling) Foht, Carlson, and Mortensen all of whom have taken the added responsibility of students who act as assistants to Miss Currier.***Martha Palmer has her colors pinned on her by Jo Liddell as Carol Lawrence holds her bunch of colors ready to sell to any other prospective buyers.

Left to right (below) Mary Jane Tracy has earned her major letter by attending GAA seven semesters, participating in both Swimming and Sports.***The third member of her family to be in GAA, Harryette Dannenburg is one of the girls who has been considered eligible for the senior bracelet earned after twelve semesters of credit.***Joyce Abramson who also is the third of her family to be active in GAA and has won recognition among the juniors.***Persistency has become connected with Romana Juhlin's name as she has quietly done all that was expected of her and conscientiously earned her letter.***A Sports captain during one semester and a sister of the first GAA student assistant, Mary Odorski is the fourth girl in her family to be active in this organization.

Monday is swimming night for all, from sophomores to seniors, when dives are practiced, lengths are swum and a general good time is had by all. In a frolic with a ball are (upper left) Lange, Preston, Palmer, Hawn, Carr, and Elrick.***Swimmers, (center) who have done conspicuous work and chalked up a maximum of points in swimming meets in their junior year are (standing) Gayle, Crawford, Phillips, (kneeling) Brehm, De Cori, (seated) Davis, Foht, and Ross.***Pat Rosenburg (left above) was caught midway in a swan dive as the photographer's camera clicked this picture. Most of the girls have found their GAA swimming night an opportunity for improving their diving techniques and various swimming strokes.

"Let's Have Fun"

From left to right (below) Elizabeth Ghent has earned her major letter quietly and diligently, by doing persistent work particularly in swimming.***With eleven semesters of work Frances Carafotias was graduated in February after receiving her major letter and playing in several tournament games.***A junior, who is on the way to becoming an outstanding senior in GAA, Phyllis Pickering has displayed a responsible attitude and good work in swimming.***Louise Dal Nogare, also a February graduate, who received her major award for ten semesters in GAA frequently played in tournament games.***An all-round athletic girl, Eileen Elston has been an excellent student assistant in swimming and showed remarkable capability teaching the beginners. A swimmer of noteworthy qualities, Eileen will receive a senior bracelet for her twelve semesters of credit in Sports and Swimming.

"Spying On Sports"

In the picture (at lower left) are Schwanke, Gayle and Gridley giving swimmers Olson, Bailey and Peterson a helping hand out of the pool.***Sophomores who have two more years ahead of them to continue their very excellent record have posed for the center picture below. They are Rossi, Knodle, Markusen, Earngey and Lidell (standing) ; Weller and Di Marzio (kneeling) ; and Palmer, Lawrence and Quinlan (seated).***In this picture the camera caught (left above) Elston, Rosenburg, Perkins, Rossi, Di Marzio, and Cadwell diving one after the other into the water. Miss Pierce, swimming instructor, is present at all these meetings ready to give suggestions for improvement.

(Below left) Nora Carafotias who has shown a responsible attitude in both Sports and Swimming, has been particularly commendable in the latter. A junior now she will continue her work next year.***After five semesters in GAA Betty Little has shown herself to be a persistent worker and a competent swimmer.***A sister of a former student assistant, and a member of most of the sports teams, Camilla Young has proved a good attitude brings results.***A valuable girl in swimming meets, Betty Larson who has added many points to her team's score, has been elected to play in tournament games.***Corrinne Kreger, a member of GAA for three years, has played on several Sports teams and has been an entry in various swimming meets.

"Highest Honor"

One of the outstanding assemblies of the year is the induction of new members into the National Honor Society. Having just finished their processional the candidates are shown awaiting their induction into the society. The emblem of the society, a burning torch, is visible at the rear of the stage with the words "Noblesse Oblige" or "those with advantages have an obligation." The letters C-S-L-S stand for the qualifications of membership — character, scholarship, leadership, and service. At the left are Attorney Hyer, a speaker, and Principal James Blue.

Speakers at the National Honor Society induction assemblies were Attorneys Stanton Hyer and Albert Early. Attorney Hyer, pictured at the left, has just been introduced by Mr. Blue and is about to begin his address. The purpose of the speaker is to interpret the practical meaning of the qualifications of the society, the advantages and disadvantages of being a member, and what the members, as leaders, owe to their community. The number of members elected to the society each year depends on the size of the class. Fifteen percent of the 12A's, ten percent of the 12B's, and five percent of the 11A's are elected. The upper third of each class is eligible. They are elected to membership by the faculty and students. Leading the procession last May was Wendell Veach, president of the society. Following him are James Lawrence and Jeanne Lowe.

Inducted into the society at the 1941 ceremonies were (standing) Marion Swanstrom, secretary; Vernie Lindstrom, vice-president; Bill Trefz, president; Barbara Ralston, Mary Odorski, Joan Ralston, Don Martinson, Marshall Wiley, Roger Reno, Roger Garst, Robert Hogg, Chad Brooks, Richard Shattuck, Warren Skeels; (seated) Elisabeth Barkey, Frank Rowley, Jean Picken, Jacqueline Arnold, Edward Falgout, Nancy Williams, Dorothy Hibbitts, Kenneth White, June Sanders, Marajean Pedlow. Miss Putnam, (left) is the adviser of the West High chapter.

"Sonologue"

Parents and teachers of the Honorary Musical Society were invited to attend the annual Spring recital held at the home of Miss Amy Hollem. Genevieve Skinner is shown (right) giving a vocal number.

At left Betty Joy Kelly, Robert Nelson, Genevieve Skinner, Stanton Hyer, and Janice Funnell chat before the recital. Roe, Bates, and Schmeling are among the group shown below as they paused on the stairway in Miss Hollem's home.

Below and left are shown this year's members: Wolter, Stanbery, Roe, Nelson, Sheldrup, Taylor, Hobart, Brightup, Hyzer, Bryan, Schmeling, Boettcher, Bendes, Deetz, Retsinas, Shumway, Black, Anderson, Sanders, Allen, and Neilson.

"Bright Horizon"

The National Athletic Scholarship Society of Secondary Schools was created for the following purposes: fostering high scholarship among boy athletes, stimulating a desire for balance training, elevating the ideas of sportsmanship, and developing more outstanding leaders. A boy elected to membership in the society is chosen under the supervision of Mr. Blue, principal, and all final recommendations come from him. Gordon Smith, tennis; Joe Cuppini, football, and Robert Hogg, golf, are examining a book which explains the rules of the organization (top left).

The members of the society shown at left are Alphonso Cassaro, William Messer, and Stuart Rasmussen, all of whom received letters for football. Below, Jerry Eklund, football, examine the club pin as James Hancock, tennis; Gordon Logan, football, and John Picken, football; observe symbols on the pin. This society, a national organization, has an emblem which is uniform throughout the United States. Eligibility to membership is limited to boys who have earned at least one athletic letter and whose average in their school work for three consecutive semesters is equal to or higher than the general average of the school. Boys elected are required to be good school citizens as well as true sportsmen.

At left Mr. Blue, who sponsors the West High chapter of the National Athletic Honor Society, and Edward LaForge, football, are shown as they examined pictures of Charles Watson and Kenneth White, football players who completed their West High school work in February. Names of candidates are submitted by Mr. Blue to the National committee who approve all nominations to the society. Membership in the society is entirely honorary as the only annual activity is the induction of new members.

"Highlights"

Shown at the 1942 Quill and Scroll (bottom left) Frank Rowley, Chad Brooks, Miss Katharine Obye, and Richard Shattuck, members inducted formerly; Mr. Blue, who received honorary membership; Lucy Goetz, Elisabeth Barkey, Paul Traum, Marajean Pedlow, Harry Richards, and Evelyn Schwanke, new members.

Shown seated at the speaker's table are William Knight, Jr., Paul Traum, Miss Mignon Erickson, East High Publications adviser; Miss Obye, Richard Shattuck, Mr. Watson, who is the editor of "Publisher's Auxiliary"; Elisabeth Barkey, and Chad Brooks.

Mr. Elmo Scott Watson, speaker at the Publications Banquet on April 18, confers with Richard Shattuck, toastmaster for the occasion (upper left). Chad Brooks and Elisabeth Barkey receive pins from Miss Obye (lower right).

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Joyce [illegible]

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Teachers' Autographs

Dear Beth,
Congratulations upon your graduation from West High. I hope your future will be bright and successfull. It seems that we can never see each other - except for short periods of time. The State of Michigan is the answer. I envy you and your summer fun up at Blaney. I'll be reading books in Ann Arbor. Sorry you are angry at me for not writing - Be a good girl Beth!
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The second annual Military Ball sponsored by the West high battalion of the ROTC occurred this year on November 7, a date which also marked the closing of school for the economy vacation. Decorations or red, white, and blue balloons and streamers were hung from the balcony of the gymnasium. Placards bearing slogans for defense and victory adorned the wall. Warren Glenny won the door prize, five dollars in cash.

Shown at upper left dancing are Marion Reiman and Colonel Pell, Barbara Holly and Karl Wheat, Marian Pearsall and Jerry Sinnett, Mary Lawrence and Jack Tolmie, Mary Jane Tracy and Harry Williamson, Charles Shinn and Donna Newell, Janice Wolter and Richard Buchanan, Pat Pinkley and Art Allaben, and Dorothy Gilmore and Dale Sawdey. At center left Pat Pinkley, Charles Shinn, Pat Packard and Eugene Shattuck are shown as they exchanged a dance. The grand march, the highlight of the evening, was led by Cadet Major Trefz and his sponsor, Jacqueline Arnold, followed by the captains and their sponsors.

Members of the East ROTC battalion, as well as East High School students, were invited to attend the party. The East officers led the grand march with the West high officers. Shown at lower left as they paused at the counter where soft drinks were dispensed by Carl Gustafson and Lindsay Towns, are Second Lieutenant Warren Layng and Shirley Nelson of East. Behind them are Pat Harding and Cadet Major William Skorburg, also of East, while Second Lieutenant Bill Ward of West waits his turn.

Moments"

In a scene which required an accompaniment of knitting, members of the cast are shown as they appeared at rehearsal (lower left). Standing are (left to right) Marilyn Kopf, Nitza Retsinas, Jacqueline Beauchamp, Shirley Reum, Irene Peterson, Jessica MacGaffey, Suzanne Kwass, Dorothy Williamson, Mary Jane Tracy, Marie O'Connor, and Janice Wolter. Seated are Barbary Lee, Jerry Lu Johnson, Carol Sarver, and Margie Swift.

Committee Chairmen for the operetta were named by Miss Humphreys as follows: Miss Katherine Slade, business manager; Miss Irene Kirby, ticket sales; Miss Christine Sheetz, reservations for tickets; Miss Katharine Obye, publicity; Mrs. Anne Hughes, Makeup; Miss Lena Schandroli, Mr. Gabriel Wertsch, properties; Mr. Clarence Shumate, stage. set; Mr. Harrison Trautmann, ushers.

The operetta presented this year by the combined Glee Clubs of West high was "Daniel Boone" by Geoffrey Morgan, under the direction of Miss Humphreys. The presentation was staged on March 24 and 25 in the West High Auditorium. Miss Elizabeth Pearson, dramatics coach, directed the members of the cast who had speaking parts. Lending an atmosphere of the frontier was the fact that, with the exception of a few, costumes for the production were made by the participants themselves.

At lower right in a scene from the operetta are Stuart Rassmussen in the role of Flanders Calloway; Lemuel Bartholomee who had the lead of Daniel Boone; Suzanne Sanders, as Tabitha McSplinter, a New England spinster; Joan Willoughby as the youngest Calloway daughter, and Marjorie Deetz, who played the part of Jemima Boone. At bottom right Marjorie and Stuart are seen in another scene from the production. Other members of the cast were Beryl Gustafson, as Mrs. Calloway, a pioneer mother; Virginia Morgan, as Mrs. Boone; Jim Slick in the comedy role of Ezekiel Pogue. Also in the cast were Jerry Lu Johnson, as Betsy, the eldest daughter; Bill Glenny as Samuel Henderson; Robert Deuel as Richard Calloway; Rogers Finley as John Holder; Bob McDonald as Cornstalk, Chief of the Shawnees, and Richard Thorne, as Squire Boone.

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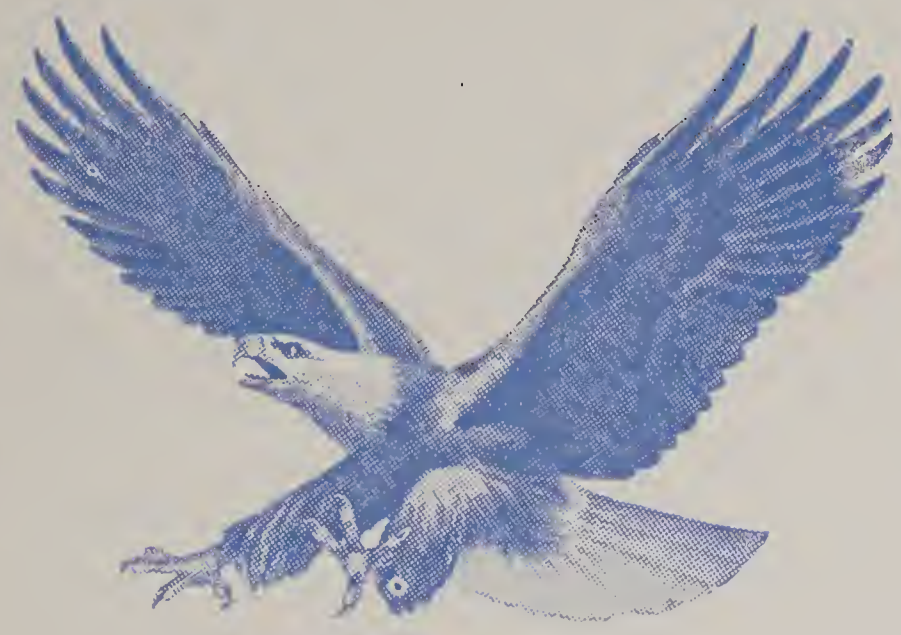

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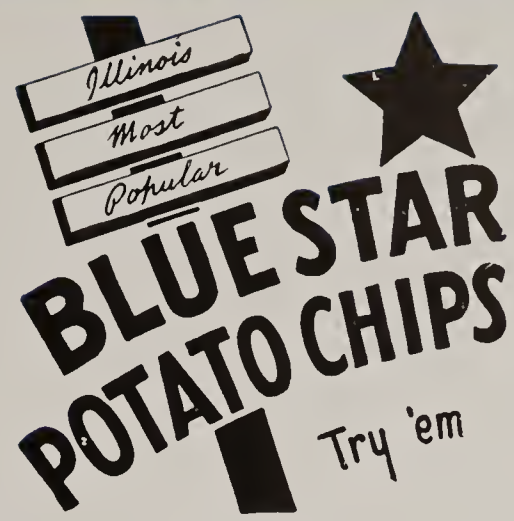

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Decorations suggestive of May scenery graced the boys' gymnasium for the May Party of 1941. The principal figure, the May queen, was chosen from the entire group of graduating senior girls. West High's complete student body picked ten of their favorites by ballot, and the final decision was made by the party-goers who expressed their choice by writing the name of the prospective queen on their admission tickets.

The May Party is climaxed by the crowning of May Queen, chosen by the student body. Betty Kreuter, 1941 queen (upper picture, left) is shown being crowned by her predecessor Barbara Hale. Also taking part are Sandy Countryman, crown bearer, Betty Joy Kelley and Marion Quixley, attendants and Ann McDermaid, flower girl. This procession walked up to the special throne erected for the ceremony in the gym where the crowning took place. Grace Meenan, Esther Sumner, Joan Perkins, Pat Wing, Sally Carter, Jane Stanbery, Jeanne Lowe, and Alida Carmichael shown in the center picture were attendants and Georgianna Carmichael was the herald who headed the procession.

With a May Party we always associate a Maypole dance since without it the party cannot be complete. Sixteen maypole dancers were chosen from the many nominees of the student body for May Queen. The dancers were, left front row, Gloria Hopper, Harriette Ryan, Patricia Armour, Marjorie Commer, Frances Fanara, Adelyn Thompson; back row, Leatrice Witcher, Patty Schmitz, Harriett Johns, Betty Sirton, Barbara MacMarron, Vergene Kirby, June De Carlo, Connie White, Shirley Spackman, and Margaret Towns.

Newsreel"

Senior activities become more numerous as the school year draws to a close, and almost any student can find something interesting in which to participate. Although these are strictly senior activities, much outside interest goes with them. Two of these which are within a short while of each other are the Senior play, which last year was "Pride and Prejudice" by Jane Austen, and the May Party, where the May Queen is crowned.

The Senior Class Play is one of the big events of the year, and is always very popular. The play, directed by Miss Pearson, had two casts, one for each night that it is presented. The play chosen by last year's senior class was a story of a middle class family living in the eighteenth century. Pictured taking part in the dress rehearsal are, (from left to right) Wendell Veach as Mr. Darcy, Joan Perkins as Elizabeth Bennet, Jim Shelden as Mr. Bingley, and Jane Stanbery as Jane Bennet. These four were the principals in the Saturday night cast. The plot is centered around Mrs. Bennet's efforts to have her three daughters marry well. How this was brought about, really in spite of her efforts, makes a very entertaining play. The play was put on in the West High auditorium on May 16 and 17.

Another activity of interest to seniors and one that causes a great deal of excitement is the election of the May Queen. Girls are nominated in home rooms; and of the ten receiving greatest number of votes three are named candidates. Those attending the May Party may vote for one girl. Shown at bottom right after the crowning ceremony is last year's queen, Betty Kreuter, who is walking out through the arches held by her attendants. Those who can be seen in the picture are Grace Meenan, Esther Sumner, and Alida Carmichael. The students danced in the gym, the scene of the coronation, before and after the crowning of the queen. Also taking place after the queen was crowned was the May pole dance in which sixteen girls who had been nominated for May Queen took part. They carried brightly colored streamers and danced around the pole until all the streamers were intertwined. Visitors who came to view the ceremony are shown seated in the balcony.

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"Reviewing

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The parade consisted of cars decorated by the various home rooms who each took their place in the parade. Shown in the upper picture (left) is the entry from Mrs. Louise Carlin's sophomore home room. It is typical of the many cars that entered the parade and the contest. Original ideas predicting the outcome of the most important game of the year predominated all others. West High students were in high spirits as they took part in these activities preliminary to the game. The cameraman caught a crowd of hopeful fans (center picture, left) with colors and banners cheering for their team.

Following the parade to Fairgrounds Park was the rally which climaxed the evening's program. The Board of Education truck (lower left) served as the speaker's platform. Mr. Willson, the heavyweight football coach, is giving the attentive students a pep talk, asking them to get behind the team and help bring a victory. Also pictured on the truck are members of the school band and Jacqueline Arnold, president of the Student Council.

Stand"

The East-West football game is one of the most spectacular events of the season. Every student is eager to attend the game and will await with anxiety its uncertain outcome. A rally and parade are preliminary activities preceding the game, and they aid in putting everyone in the best of spirits. Getting behind the team by yelling cheers with the cheerleaders is almost as important as actually winning the game.

West High cheerleaders are very active especially when it comes to cheering for the team and leading the student body in yells to spur the team to victory. This year's cheerleaders are shown below the stands at the East West game as they led the students in the old locomotive cheer. The squad consists of Nancy Gallagher (lower left) Kenneth Crandall, Ruth Carlson, Sam Miller, Pat Packard, and Malcolm Martin. They led a variety of cheers at frequent intervals throughout the entire game. Cheerleaders were chosen from volunteers who were interested in giving their time to practice and being present to lead the spectators at all games and athletic contests who in turn give the team an incentive to win the game. Of this year's cheerleaders, three were veterans from the squad of last year. Sam Miller, Malcolm Martin, and Kenneth Crandall participated in these activities last year while the girl cheerleaders began their careers in the fall and continued throughout this year.

The award for the most beautiful car in the pre-rally parade was presented by the judges to the entry from Miss Carlson's home room. Members of the home room contributed their time to decorating the car in an earnest effort to bring back the prize. Some of them shown with the winning car are Florence Shaver, (right) Forest Moore, and Dorothy Anderson, who seemed very much pleased with the decision of the judges. An amusing entry was submitted by Mr. Samuel Guzzardo's sophomore home room. Charlie McCarthy was the theme of their float. Their car is pictured at the lower right as it appeared in the line of parade in the downtown area on its way to Fairgrounds Park where the rally was staged and awards were made by the judges.

Beth —
It seems as if everybody has wished you good luck; well, I don't think that this is necessary for you have the "stuff" to make you a success
John Picken

Dear Beth,
It has been very nice knowing you at West High. Another member of home room 203.
Peggy Hammer
"42"

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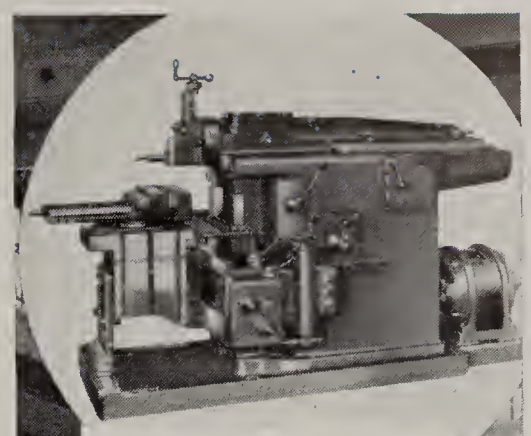

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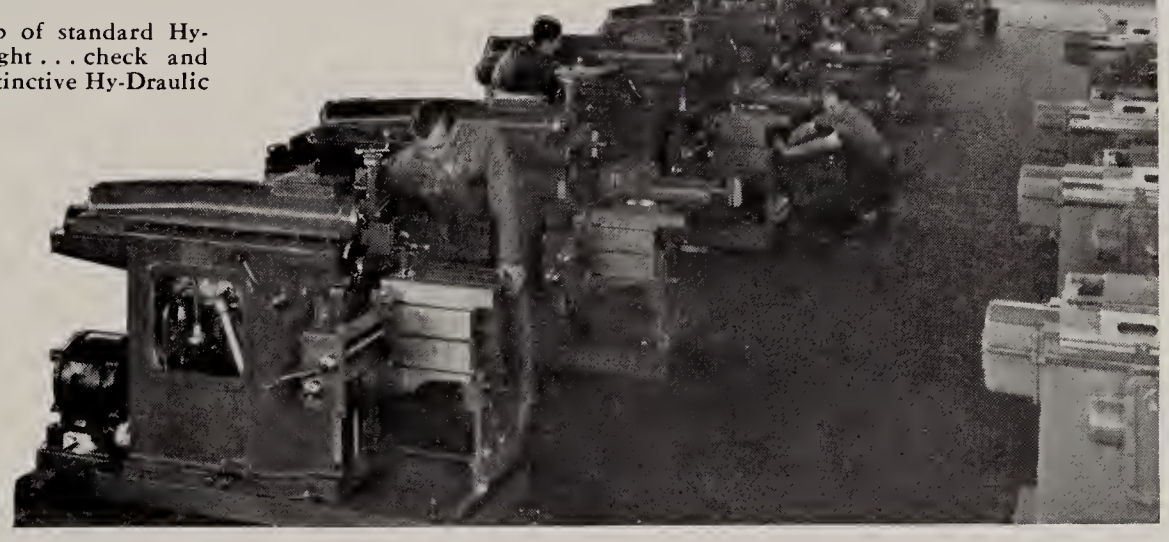

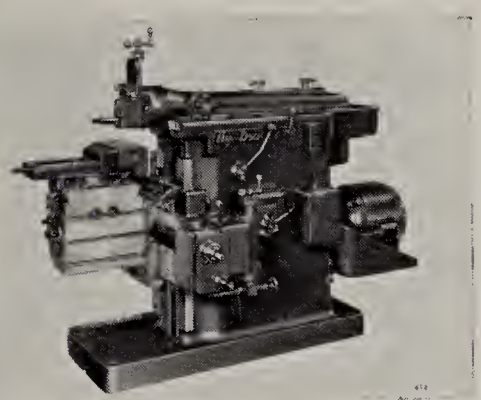

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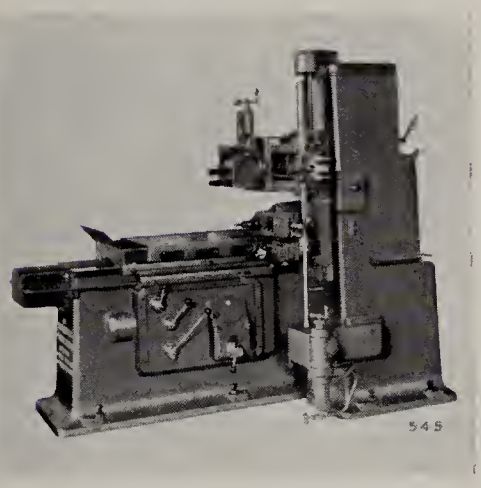

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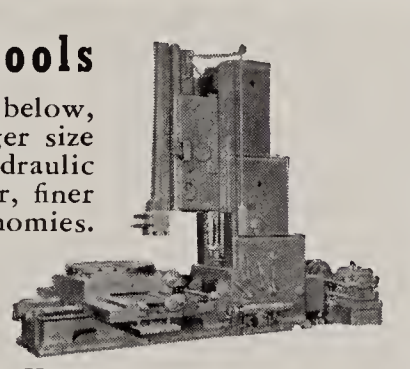

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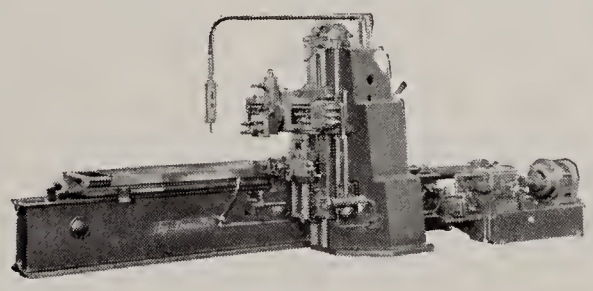

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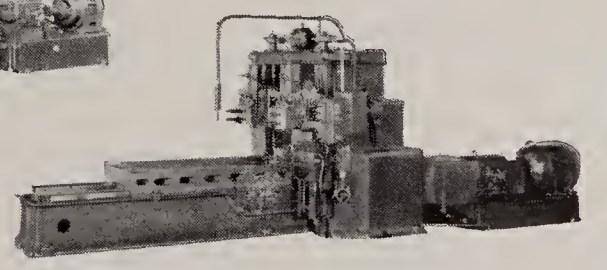

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The annual banquet of the Honorary Musical Society is one of the most important activities of the society each year. To this banquet, the society members' parents and music teachers are invited. Betty Joy Kelly (center picture), (left), Mrs. James Welsh, Robert Nelson, Mrs. Frank Stanbery, and Janice Wolter are a few of the guests and students who attended this banquet which was held in the school cafeteria last May.

Senior girls chosen by a faculty committee as most outstanding in scholarship, service, and character were Joy Kelly (top photo, left center) and Margaret Bates (right center). Adelyn Thompson (right) President of ABL Club and Miss Beatty (left) the club adviser made the presentation to these two ABL girls in an honor assembly last June. Robert Rogan (lower photo) managing editor of the Rockford Register-Republic presented an ROTC honor award, offered by the Rockford papers, to J. T. Garner, Sophomore (left), Vernie Lindstrom, Junior, and Jim Shelden (right) Senior. These medals of recognition were given on the basis of military skill, bearing, neatness, and scholarly ability.

Parade"

Each year an assembly is presented Memorial Day to honor the soldiers who gave their lives in former wars. Last year the speaker for the occasion was Attorney Roy Brown who gave a talk appropriate to the occasion. Mr. George Summers, the only living veteran of the Civil War in Rockford, was the guest of honor at the assembly. This picture (bottom right) taken immediately after the program, shows Mr. Summers shaking hands with Attorney Brown while Mr. Blue, the principal looks on.

Another honor conferred on outstanding senior and 11A's is membership in the National Honor Society. Candidates with required scholastic averages are nominated for character, leadership, and service by the teachers and the student body. Shown here in the first of two assemblies are Mr. Blue, who at the moment was presiding, and the speaker, Mr. Stanton A. Hyer. In the background are the newly inducted members, some of whom are Jacqueline Arnold, Elisabeth Barkey, Edward Falgout, Roger Garst, Dorothy Hibbits, Robert Hogg, Vernie Lindstrom, Donald Martinson, Mary Odorski, Chad Brooks, Jack Brophy, Nick Guarino, Marajean Pedlow, Barbara Ralston, Joan Ralston, and James Retsinas. In the bckground is the symbol of the society, the flaming torch, which represents the light of learning.

The American Legion award is given each year to the boy who excels the most in scholarship and athletics. At the old Central High School, the name of the outstanding boy was engraved on a loving cup, but since the new schools were formed a new system has been inaugurated. The name now is engraved on a plaque which stands together with the ABL plaque in the main entrance. The recipient of the honor last year was Bob Gustafson, who is shown with Mr. Ralph Cotta and Post Commander Eugene Welch. Mr. Cotta designed the plaque and Post Commander Welch presented the award.

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You see, I was nice to you. I went by your house yesterday for the first time in ages and it just looks fee-yootiful! What did you do to it? Anyway, its drastic that we haven't seen more of each other in high school. I love your hair and everything & I want to see you much more often now.
Barb Ralston.

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Beth: Be good now. Good luck in future years. God Bless you Mary. Love Jerry

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Dear Beth,

After I got this page filled up it ought to take care of a few letters this summer, but I suppose it won't. Frankly I wish I were leaving with you tomorrow but I suppose in order to earn money you have to work.

We have had a swell time this last year especially since you caused a neighbor to make a telephone call a couple (must be more than that!) of months ago. At the time I wasn't sure I would appreciate it, but I've been since. I am afraid our fun together is going to be cut short beginning tomorrow, since you are going to the lake and then fall to school. I am sure I'll be missing others, and going to miss running across the street to one thing and another terribly. We never did get around to doubling again did we? What in the heck interfered?

I never could say what I think, but I guess you know what I think about you as my friend, but one at that so I wish you all my love and hope you have just and success at school next year. If I know you you will.

Love,
Jean

Beth: I'll always remember you as a leader of community singing (12A-luncheon) May you succeed in whatever you set out to do.

Dick McGinnis

Best wishes and good luck in years to come.

Pierre R. Vinet

It's been nice knowing you this last year. Best of luck.

Helen Doolittle "43"

Dear Beth: Good luck in your future years.

Bette Banes

Same here and even more!

Betty Miller

Beth: Good luck in college.

Wallace Bogen

Beth I'll not forget the swell times we had in Dsel.

Warren Duclon "42"

Dear Beth,

Although I haven't known you so long, I believe you are one of the most startling characters I know. I will miss seeing your blond head floating around the halls. We had such a nice time at your party and you are so charming. I certainly hope I will see you again. Loads of luck to such a sweet girl.

Bernice Allen "43"

Dear Beth,

Although our acquaintance has not been long, I wish to say that I think you are a very nice girl and hope that your pathway in life will be a pleasant and successful one.

Lucille Ahern

Best luck forever Beth

Liz Barkley 214

Dear [illegible] Lots of luck [illegible] to a swell [illegible] in your [illegible]

[illegible]

Here's wishing you all the luck in the world

Peg "Geo" Chaffer

Dear Beth,

It seems so long ago since I first met you in 7th grade when your name was Isabelle and you carried a violin. I hadn't realized before how many things we have gone through "together": from English tests to our "8th-lunch" gossip circle; but I certainly have enjoyed them all, even when I used to stand in awe of your sophistication, until I, too, "grew up".

Happiness and good luck always Beth, and continue to be as beautiful and popular, and nice as you are now.

Good-bye for now,

Marybean Fellows

Beth,

Good luck to a very socially minded girl who has shown that she has a good character and a fine personality.

Edward Falgout

Dear Beth —

It won't be long before we will go out into the world and help make it better. My best wish go with you.

Classmate
Joe Cannella

Adios Amigo

Beth: May you remember this message as the first one written in this section of the book.

Benny Bennett
1942

"Best Wishes
To a swell gal
Phyllis Lyons
6-2-42

Beth: Best of luck and Wishes for a shining future.

Carl E. Barger

Dear Beth,

If there ever was a time that you don't know what I am doing, I would like to know when. But I don't care.

I've had lots of fun in Speech I with you and I'm sure I won't regret it later.

Best of Luck to later life,

Clyde Carpenter

Dear Beth,

I haven't known you for very long, but it has been fun! I wish we could have come to your party, but it really was impossible. I hope I will see you this summer. Good luck and "all stuff like that there"!

Maxine
"Max"
Dayton

Dear Onabeth! (crash! bang!) Forgive me — Beth, but that's how I always knew you and I think it's a pretty name anyway. When you are giving huge speeches at St. Stephens think of the struggles in Speech I —

Jo Ralston

Dear Beth — June 1, 1942

Here we are sitting on the curb & trying to talk & write at the same time — [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] — ha! ha! [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] — [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] this summer —

Best of luck always —

Sincerely,
Virginia.

Dear Beth

To the bestest silver-tongued orator which ever was. Loads of Luck

Dear [illegible]

P.S. I don't always write this sad.